



## PARKS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

June 8, 2022

### Attendees

Matthew Weyer  
Jill Schipp  
Natalie Howard  
Tom Lueken  
Mike Steffe

Jordan Lundy  
Ray Major  
Deborah Major

The meeting started at 4:30 pm. Jordan Lundy presented us a yearly permit for his business, U Do It Snow Kones. He also provided a mobile food vendor permit, Dubois County Health Department permit and proof of insurance. He said that they have partnered with the Forest Park Swim Team and will be at the Heimatfest. They will donate a portion of their proceeds back to the swim team. They were open the previous weekend at a pop-up farmers market in Ferdinand.

The meeting minutes were read. Jill made a motion to approve the minutes, Matt seconded, and all were in favor. Jill said she met with Tammy about the budget and they talked about splitting things up more on the report so we can see more accurately what we have in each account. Matt made a motion to approve the finances, Jill seconded, and all were in favor.

### Park News

#### Fifth Street Park

Jill was able to get pricing on trees. We will need to decide at the next meeting which trees we want to purchase for the soccer field area.

The Art Ruhe Memorial Field scoreboard has been installed. Tom thinks we have received their invoice.

We need to talk to Chris James about the water sprinkling.

We will talk about the door locks in July so it can be taken care of by this winter.

#### Old Town Lake

Tom moved dirt and put construction fence up for the new restroom facility. Tom also dug the subgrade out and it's ready for footers. Seufert Construction did not submit a pay application for this month.



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Jill tried to reach out to her contact at the DNR but believes she no longer works there. Tom will contact someone about treating the lake. Jill will follow up too.

Alvin and Diane Hoppenjans want to build a floating lantern type thing to put on the lake during Christkindlmarkt. They asked whether we would approve this and who could take care of it. They are talking about possibly having an event at the OTL the weekend of Christkindlmarkt. Further discussion will continue. Matt will send us pictures of this.

Debbie Johnson wanted to know about memorial options. Tom said maybe landscape or something around the flagpole at the OTL. This is for someone who used to be involved in insurance. She will need to bring idea in for parkboard to approve.

### Other News

Tom said the fencing was up around the shelter house for 3 days during the Dragons of the Realm event. He believes they need to pick up the pace on removal and set up of this event. It was also mentioned that Catherine and Dan need to be the ones in charge, not anyone else.

There is no update on the RTV status.

There has not been any word from Kennedy Staton on the sundial project, but Nora Welp says she will present her idea of the storytime signs soon.

The chalkboard at 18th street park is down.

Ray Major came in to ask what we have found out about the 10 trees that have failed to left out by the school board office house. He said that 3 different tree species look to be dying but are not. Ray said he called Bob Berker who is a state chemist. Ray feels like it is an application of a herbicide and was probably done unintentionally. Ray said one tree is starting to opened and 1 has green stems. The trees are not dead yet We will keep an eye on these trees.

Deborah Major came in to talk about the storywalk. The Friends of the Library have been saving money to donate to this project. She mentioned putting it out at the OTL, but the board's preference is to keep the Old Town Lake more serene and free of things like this. If it was put at 18th street park, it could go around the wooded area; it is flat there and ADA compliant. Additionally it would be closer to the public library.

Meeting adjourned at 5:31 pm. The next meeting will be July 13 at 4:30 pm.

Minutes submitted on 12 June 2022

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