



TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Cedar Lake Town Hall, 7408 Constitution Avenue
August 1, 2024, at 5:30 pm

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Rodriguez called the Park Board Public Meeting to order on Thursday, August 1, 2024, at 5:30 pm, with its members attending on-site. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Paul Rodriguez, Vice-President; Sarah Miller; Greg Marquardt. A quorum was attained.
Also present: Mindi Ray, Parks & Recreation Superintendent; David Austgen, Town Attorney; Mary Joan Dickson, Town Council Liaison; Julie Rivera, Town Council Liaison; Greg Wiesemann, Recreation Coordinator; and Sharon D'Apice, Administrative Assistant
Absent: Jeff Bunge, Town Manager

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Minutes:** July 18, 2024 meeting
2. **Claims:** Parks & Rec General Fund: \$21,995.26; Park Impact Fee Fund: \$--; Park & Rec Non-Reverting Fund: \$959.75; Clubhouse Non-Reverting Fund: \$2,654.70
Total Expenditures: \$25,609.71

Mrs. Miller made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and Mr. Marquardt seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

Mr. Marquardt Aye
Mrs. Miller Aye
Mr. Rodriguez Aye

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Park Foundation

Mr. Dickson stated that there are currently two applications for the Park Foundation. Mrs. Dickson also stated that applications for Park Foundation are located at Town Hall. The Park Foundation will need five members. Applications will be accepted at Town Hall until the end of September. Mrs. Miller made a

motion to defer discussion of Park Foundation to the September Park Board meeting and Mr. Marquardt seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

Mr. Marquardt Aye
Mrs. Miller Aye
Mr. Rodriguez Aye

2. Kiwanis Dog Park Fence

Mrs. Ray updated the board that the update to the dog park fence is complete. Garden fencing was added to the interior of the fence and the screen has been removed.

Mrs. Miller made a motion to amend the agenda to add the Town Grounds Use and Management by Parks Department and Mr. Marquardt seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

Mr. Marquardt Aye
Mrs. Miller Aye
Mr. Rodriguez Aye

3. Town Grounds Use and Management by Parks Department

Mr. Rodriguez commented that instead of a work session can there be a sub-committee with the Park Board and Town Council to talk about Town Grounds use and management. Discussion ensued.

REPORTS:

1. Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Ray stated that there were 388 surveys were completed as of July 26th for the Master Plan. The Steering Committee is set to meet on August 22nd to review the results and to start identifying which park spaces will be conceptual plans in the Master Plan.

The Dog Park currently has 126 members. The fencing project at the Dog Park has been completed.

The Kiwanis Playground grand re-opening was on July 30th.

The playground inspection has been completed. The report should be ready in one to two months.

The IPRA Conference is in November, the department is bringing four people this year.

Mindi also updated the board with a maintenance report from the Parks Foreman.

2. Recreation Coordinator's Report

Mr. Wiesemann updated the board that for marketing the department is now using the Town's alert system.

The fitness class will resume on August 6th.

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Soccer teams have been put together and shirts will be ordered soon.

Taylor Ice Festival sponsorship letters will be going out on August 2nd.

The next Lakeside Artist Guild is August 11th.

Mr. Wiesemann thanked the IT department and the park crew for their help with the new projection screen. The last Movies in the Park is "Wonka" on August 2nd.

Trunk or Treat sponsorship packet was mailed out August 1st.

Mr. Wieseman also updated the board that the Parks Department and Hanover Central High School is having a Drop-in Dodgeball night. It will be held at Hanover Central High School.

Mr. Rodriguez thanked DeMotte State Bank and Vito's Italian Ice for handing out treats at the last two movies in the park.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kathy Traina, 13674 Freedom Way had questions regarding the dog park fence. Mrs. Ray stated that they added a black garden fence on the interior and removed the temporary screen. Mrs. Traina also asked for an additional picnic table to be brought in the dog park.

Gayle Brannon, 7014 West 139th Place, had a question about the \$21,995 for the Park and Rec General Fund. She wanted to know if it was one big item or if it was a bunch of little items. Mr. Rodriguez commented that the only large item was \$10,499.15 and that was one of the payments to Context Design for Master Planning.

ADJOURNMENT Mrs. Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 pm and Mr. Marquardt seconded the motion. The next meeting currently is scheduled for September 5, 2024 at 5:30 pm.

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Greg Marquardt, Member

Sarah Miller, Member

Paul Rodriguez, Vice-President

ATTEST:

Sharon D'Apice, Recording Secretary

These minutes are transcribed pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-4(b) which states:

(b) As the meeting progresses, the following memoranda shall be kept:

(1) The date, time, and place of the meeting.

(2) The members of the governing body recorded as either present or absent.

(3) The general substance of all matters proposed, discussed, or decided.

(4) A record of all votes taken by individual members if there is a roll call.

(5) Any additional information required under section 3.5 or 3.6 of this chapter or any other statute that authorizes a governing body to conduct a meeting using an electronic means of communication.