

Attendance: Tonya Faupel, Teresa Hatten, Bruce Bestul, Mike Clendenen, Shelia Berning
Guest: Christine Degraaf

PARK BOARD MEETING

Minutes

Monday, November 7, 2022

6:00 P.M.

Location: **New Haven Community Center**

Call to Order

Tonya Faupel called the meeting to order at 6:07pm.

A. Please Silence Cell Phones, Pagers, and Electronic Devices

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

- Bruce Bestul made a motion to approve the October 3, 2022, minutes. Teresa seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of Claims

- Teresa Hatten presented the 11/7/2022 claims as follows:

Monthly Claims:	\$	68,917.84
9/14 Payroll	\$	26,684.26
9/21 Payroll	\$	36,842.29
Utilities/Prepays	\$	4,514.43
Utilities/Prepays	\$	1,295.45
Utilities/Prepays	\$	<u>4,336.17</u>
Grand total of Claims:	\$	142,590.44

Mike Clendenen explained several of the monthly claims:

- Paid Arbor Farms \$1,638.75 for tree planting for the Great Tree Canopy Comeback. This was reimbursed by Allen County Friends of the Parks.
- Paid Casey Yoder \$2,268.00 for directing the basketball program
- Paid Eagle Contracting \$32,418.61 for the Schnelker Park gazebo.
- Over \$7,000 of the \$12,844.72 paid to First Bankcard was for the Senior Trips
- Paid New Haven Trophy \$1,957 for basketball shirts

Teresa made a motion to approve the claims. Bruce seconded. Motion carried.

Bruce made a motion to approve payment of the Utilities/Prepays dated 9/9/2022 in the amount of \$4,592.58. Teresa seconded. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

2023 Park Board Meeting Dates

- Mike presented the revised 2023 meeting dates. This list was revised due to some meetings falling on Monday holidays. Bruce made a motion to accept the new dates. Teresa seconded. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Credit Card Policy Update

- Mike presented and recommended a resolution drawn up by Steve Harrantts to update the Credit Card Policy. Teresa made a motion to approve the resolution. Bruce seconded. Motion carried.

2023 Fees

- Mike presented the proposed 2023 Park Fees. Teresa made a motion to approve the fees. Bruce seconded. Motion carried.

Train Depot Discussion

- Mike explained the history of the Train Depot. New Haven Area Heritage Association had asked the Parks to help with maintenance in 2016. In 2017 they asked the Parks to take ownership, instead the Parks chose to operate it for 5 years then revisit the agreement. Mike proposes that the Parks accept the donation of the property and take over operations of the Train Depot. Bruce made a motion to accept the donation. Teresa seconded. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- Mike shared that Leon Davis has resigned from the Park Board. Mike is waiting on Mayor McMichael to name a replacement.
- Office closed tomorrow for Election Day. The Fitness Center will be open. Mike is helping with the election.
- He will be at the state conference in Indianapolis from November 14 to 16.
- Breakfast with Santa is December 10
- The Senior Christmas Party will be December 7
- Maintenance is about done mowing

OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT:

Shelia presented the following resolutions:

- Veteran's Memorial Donation \$177.00 from the Bulldog Bash Fundraiser
- \$75.00 Veteran's Memorial Brick for Tony Schuckel by Sue Schuckel
- \$75.00 Veteran's Memorial Brick for Russell McIntosh by Sarah Miller, Ray and Stuart McIntosh
- Marylands Farm Park Donation \$94.50 from 2022 M3 Events Fundraiser
- Tree Donation for 2022 Great Tree Canopy Comeback \$1,638.75 from the Friends of the Parks of Allen County

Teresa made a motion to accept these resolutions. Bruce seconded. Motion carried.

BOARD COMMENTS:

- None

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

- Christine DeGraaf of 1659 Hartzell Road, wanted to commend the Parks on how well the parks are maintained. She recently moved here from South Carolina and has two dogs. She would like to see a dog park in New Haven.

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 6:50pm

Attested by: _____ Signed by: _____