



PARKS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

September 13, 2023

Attendees

Matthew Weyer
Jill Schipp
Tom Lueken
Mike Steffe

Sharon Bohenkemper

The meeting started at 4:30 pm. Meeting minutes were reviewed. Jill made a motion to approve the minutes; Mike seconded. All were in favor of approving the minutes. June finances were opened and reviewed. Mike motioned to approve the finances; Matt seconded; all were in favor.

Aaron Alstadt – Disc Golf Request

Aaron Alstadt—a local disc golf business owner and tournament scheduler—approached the board regarding hosting an 18-hole tournament at the 18th Street Park. While the first 9-holes would be utilized from the existing course, Aaron requested temporary baskets and tee boxes throughout the park to allow for a full 18-hole course to commence in order that a tournament be run. After thorough discussion and assurances of citizens on the walking trail, the board agreed to grant his group the use of the park to host a tournament. Several dates were requested. It was agreed that October 15th would be acceptable pending no other rentals at the park. The Bars or Birdies 2 - SIFFS #4 (CEP Charity - Rated) will be played on 10/15/2023.

Public Request - Splash Pad

The board discussed next steps for the splash pad idea. Mike presented some preliminary scope-level costs from Hafer. The board agreed that the size and scope of this project needs support from the town council.

A feasibility and cost study is the next step. In order for this study to commence the board will approach the town council to decide if this is something they'd support.

Fifth Street Park

The board discussed the Fifth Street Park Master Plan presented the prior month. They discussed some options and changes to be made to the presentation. Jill will discuss with Universal Design and they will



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provide a digital update to the board which can be used for fundraising.

The board discussed the striping in the main parking lot. Tom is going to solicit pricing to possibly get this done yet this year.

Tom discussed that the town is exploring a wireless access control system for portions of the town's facilities. This may be an opportunity to tie onto that system for some of the park's locks that have been previously explored to convert to wireless access control. Tom will continue to keep the board updated on this issue.

18th Street Park

There are no updates on the Eagle Scout projects.

The board received an update from Sharon on planning of the spring eclipse festivities.

Old Town Lake

The Park Board and the Dubois County Soil & Water Conservation District will be hosting the Old Town Lake Weed Wrangle on Saturday, November 11th at 9:00 am. The board welcomes the community of all ages to assist in removing invasive plant species throughout the Old Town Lake property. Specialists from the SWCD will be on site to assist.

Other News

Jill made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Matt seconded the motion; all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:24 pm.

The next meeting will be held on October 11, 2023 at 4:30 pm.

Minutes submitted on 10 October 2023

Matt Weyer