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Attendees: Matthew Weyer Mike Steffe Natalie Howard Tom Lueken January 8, 2020

The meeting started at 4:30pm. Meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion was made by Matt. Seconded by Natalie. Minutes were approved on a vote of 3-0. Financial reports were reviewed. Motion was made by Mike. Seconded by Natalie. Financial reviews were approved on a vote of 3-0.

Officer Elections: The following positions were voted upon amongst the group: President – Matthew Weyer, Vice President – Mike Steffe, Secretary – Natalie Howard.

Matt noted that he was in discussions with a potential citizen to fill the board opening vacated by Dolores Boeglin's decision to retire her term after 20 years on the board.

Catherine LeBlanc with the Rosenvolk Festival attended to provide follow-up feedback regarding the 2019 festival. The general feeling of the board that the feedback heard from the public and civic leaders was that there were no major issues during the festival. Catherine and Daniel did request the board to investigate whether it was possible to increase the internet bandwidth of Perry Spencer Communications (PSC) Wi-Fi—which is available in the park—during festivals. Mike commented that he would follow up with Town Manager Chris James. Also, the park board discussed with the LeBlancs the handicapped parking requirements. The Rosenvolk festival has vowed to continue to maintain the required handicapped parking spots as in the past. Additional signage was promised next year. Overnight parking / camping was again discussed and the board reiterated their desire to minimize to the most possible ways the number of campers. Several requirements for those camping: They must be approved in writing by the board and shall be in a designated, roped off area near the upper volleyball court, their names and cars must have been listed with the board prior to the October Park Board meeting. This coming year – the Rosenvolk Festival will occur from October 16th to 18th. They will need to start setting up around Monday October 12th. The board and the LeBlancs agreed to meet at the August or September board meeting to reassess everything prior to the festival.

Matt provided an update for the Old Town Lake. Pay App #8 was presented to the board for payment. It was submitted for \$16,706.61. Motion was made by Matt. Seconded by Natalie. Pay app was approved on a vote of 3-0. The trail is complete with the exception of recovery areas and railings. Most of the concrete work is complete with some minor sidewalk work. The bridges are mostly complete. The parking lot is planned to finish up in the next month. On January 7, 2020, Bob Bronson and Lisa Herber from the Indiana Dept of Natural Resources visited the site for their review. They toured the project with the design and construction team and the board. They provided various minimal comments that Universal Design will review and implement a remediation response for the IN DNR and Seufert Constructon. Following completion of the project, Universal Design and the board need to respond in

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writing with photo documentation regarding any comments. Additionally, the Eagle Scout project work done by Anthony Weyer is complete with the exception of the bollard painting. Matt also discussed the possibility of incorporating the renovation of the pump house into the project. Further discussion is needed and we need to confirm that it can be funded.

The fifth street park concession buildings were discussed. The board agreed to investigate installing wireless door security system rather than continuing with distributing keys. Board members will investigate.

The board discussed that an ad for summer employment positions should be posted in order to have someone in place in time for mowing season. Tom was granted permission to post the ads.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 4:30pm. The board adjourned at 5:46 pm.

Minutes submitted on 12 February 2020

Matthew Weyer