



PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 14 ,2025

Attendees

Matthew Weyer
Jill Schipp
Tom Lueken
Mike Steffe

Guests

Andy Berg

The meeting started at 4:30 PM. Meetings minutes and expenses from February and March and the April finance report were approved 3-0

Park Board Vacancy

The Board will recommend Andy Berg to fill the spot vacated by Natalie Howard. Andy is very involved in all Youth Sports. His term would be from Jan 1 2025 to Dec. 31 2028. The board expressed thanks to Natalie for her service.

Part Time employee

Tom informed the board of the Town Council's decision to not fill the role vacated by Brian Mullis. Coverage of his duties will be filled by other town employees. A portion of the salary of Austin Ryan will be re allocated to the Park Dept. The Board and Tom re iterated their position to fill the Park seasonal employee position so that adequate training can be performed

Splash Pad

The idea is on hold from the Park Dept. The Town Council is looking into potential funding and lower cost options.

5th projects

Weyer field dugout repairs are complete. The board put a priority on addressing the Ruhe field pressbox relocation and concession building expansion. Preliminary drawings will need to be updated to accommodate electrical requirements. Jill will seek other sources for shade structures. Anchor Industries did not prove to be feasible. Mike sent her some other source. These are primarily to be funded from the Mobel Foundation donation. Other improvements include- new sod on Ruhe field, scoreboard replacements for Weyer, Carpenter and Best fields. Parking lot striping and speed bump installation has been done and met with good feedback.

18th st Projects

Road repairs scheduled to begin on June 2. Matt reviewed locations for a memorial bench in memory of Randy Vaal with potential donors. A location was agreed upon and Matt will look into cost to purchase and install.

Old Town Lake

Jill noted that birds are causing the shelter house to be unusable. The board discussed adding a ceiling but would like to preserve the look of the building. Matt will follow up with Hoosier Laser about the entrance sign.

Park Budget Meeting

June 27 at 6:45 AM at town hall. The Park board will meet on June 18 at noon at Universal Design to prepare their requests. Mike will reach out to major lease holders for ideas on upgrades or repairs.

Submitted by: Mike Steffe

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mike Steffe".