

The Michigan City Park and Recreation Board met in regular session on Thursday, December 3, 2009 at the hour of 5:00 P.M. in the Michigan City Parks and Recreation Office, City of Michigan City, Indiana.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

On the call of the roll, the following Board Members were found to be present or absent:

Present: Messrs. Latchford, Freese, Milcarek and Mr. Dabney (4)

Absent: None (0)

Also present were: Jan Orlich, Superintendent; Jeff Katz, Park Board Attorney; Joe Doyle, City Council Liaison; Debbie Studtman, Budget Clerk; Bill Greene, School Board Liaison; Garry Edson, Jerry Karstens Scholarship Board; Carolyn Saxton, Lakefront Art Festival; Robert Peters; Joe Bolka; Dennis Burke; Laurie Wink, The News Dispatch; and Andre Steele, ALCO TV.

- **On a motion** made by Mr. Milcarek, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the minutes of the December 3, 2009 Park Board meeting.

Park Superintendent Jan Orlich reported on the progress of the Amphitheater project. Ms. Orlich stated we are working on specifications for Phase III of the Washington Park electrical upgrade project. Ms. Orlich stated the winter holding building for the aviary at the zoo has been completed. Construction of the new Muntjac building will begin shortly and following that project a new building will be constructed for the Llama exhibit. Ms. Orlich thanked the Potted Plant for donating 50 plants for the zoo. Ms. Orlich reported a new roof was installed on the South Course Pro Shop with in-house labor which saved the department over \$10,000. The holiday lights have been installed and we are ready for the Festival of Holiday Lights to be held on Saturday, December 5, 2009. Displays are on timers to conserve energy. A hearing date for our liquor permit for Washington Park has been scheduled for January 10, 2010.

Park Board Attorney Jeffrey Katz reported the action for ejectment on the encroachment at 1402 Lake Shore Drive was filed on Monday, November 30, 2009.

Recreation Director Jeremy Kienitz reported Patriot Park received an Outstanding Park award for the ninth consecutive year from the NSA/BPA at their annual conference. We picked up two additional tournaments at the conference; the Men's "C" Indiana State Tournament and the Men's "A" World Series Tournament.

Mr. Latchford read the attached statement into the minutes regarding private cart storage and asked for comments from the Board and the public.

- ❑ **On a motion** made by Mr. Dabney, seconded by Mr. Milcarek and voted unanimously by the Board, the Board took the private golf cart storage fees off of the agenda until a future meeting.
- ❑ **On a motion** made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Dabney and voted unanimously by the Board, the Board agreed to withdraw the Peanut Trail from the grant process and return the \$150,000 to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources.
- ❑ **On a motion** made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Dabney and voted unanimously by the Board, the Board approved a Beach Act grant application to IDEM for water monitoring in 2010.
- ❑ **On a motion** made by Mr. Milcarek, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the dates of August 21 and 22, 2010 for the Lakefront Art Festival.
- ❑ **On a motion** made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Dabney and voted unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached 2010 Youth Baseball Tournaments.
- ❑ **On a motion** made by Mr. Dabney, seconded by Mr. Milcarek and voted unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached 2010 Michigan City Triathlon fees.
- ❑ **On a motion** made by Mr. Milcarek, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached 2010 Karstens Athletic Scholarship Co-ed Softball Tournament.
- ❑ **On a motion** made by Mr. Dabney, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached Resolution No. 692 transferring money in the Park Maintenance Fund.
- ❑ **On a motion** made by Mr. Milcarek, seconded by Mr. Dabney and voted unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached Resolution No. 693 transferring money in the Zoo Fund.
- ❑ **On a motion** made by Mr. Milcarek, seconded by Mr. Dabney and voted unanimously by the Board, the Board approved city claims filed on account of appropriations for the Parks and Recreation Department in the amount of \$35,286.67.
- ❑ **On a motion** made by Mr. Milcarek, seconded by Mr. Dabney and voted unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Payroll #24, 11/01/09 through 11/14/09, in the amount of \$50,678.82.

Mrs. Studtman read the following minor transfers into the minutes:

Park Maintenance Decrease

1301 0805 01 411 016	Overtime	\$ 1.11
1301 0805 03 435 005	Gas & Electric	\$405.00

Park Maintenance Increase

1301 0805 01 413 001	FICA	\$ 1.11
1301 0805 05 436 001	Repair/Mtce Bldg	\$405.00

- **On a motion** made by Mr. Milcarek, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted unanimously by the Board, the Board approved payment of invoices totaling \$2,110.84 out of the Zoo Endowment Fund.

Mr. Milcarek reported invoices totaling \$69,118.67 will be paid through the December 7, 2009 Board of Works meeting.

Mr. Milcarek reported \$13.16 was charged to the department's credit card.

- **On a motion** made by Mr. Freese, supported by all members of the Board, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Jan Orlich, Superintendent
Michigan City Park Department

Tom Milcarek, Secretary
Michigan City Park Board

Attachments to the December 3, 2009 Park Board meeting:

1. Statement from President Latchford Regarding Private Cart Storage
2. Letter to IDNR Withdrawing Peanut Trail from Grant No. RT-06-004
3. Request from Lubeznik Center for the Arts to Host the 2010 Lakefront Art Festival
4. 2010 Youth Baseball Tournaments, Michigan City Triathlon and Karstens Athletic Scholarship Coed Softball Tournament Fee Recommendation
5. Resolution No. 692 Transferring Money in the Park Maintenance Fund
6. Resolution No. 693 Transferring Money in the Zoo Fund
7. Claims Docket Allowance for Vouchers Dated December 4, 2009

Minutes prepared by Shannon Eason