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The Michigan City Park and Recreation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at the hour of 5:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 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, Glidden, and Mrs. Sperling (4)

Absent: None (0)

Also present were Ed Shinn, Superintendent; Shannon Eason, Assistant Superintendent; Laura Nirenberg, Park Board Attorney; Pat Voltz, Maintenance Director; Bryant Dabney, City Council Liaison; Larry Spaeth, Dunescape; Dominic Yanke, Intern; Camille Merriweather and Qiana Edwards, MCSBA; Austin Blomeke, Jones, Petri and Rafinski; Marty Nieman, Golf Manager; Scott Miller, LaPorte County Convention and Visitor Bureau; Don Przybylinski; Tommy Kulavik; and Drew White, ALCO TV.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Glidden and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the minutes of the June 7, 2023 Board meeting.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board removed the restoration license agreements for 1218, 1224 and 1226 Lake Shore Drive from the table.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board tabled the restoration license agreements for 1218, 1224 and 1226 Lake Shore Drive.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mrs. Sperling, seconded by Mr. Glidden and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached bid documents for the Senior Center Renovation Project.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mrs. Sperling, seconded by Mr. Glidden and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached Major Event License Agreement with the Michigan City Small Business Association to host Soulfest and the Michigan City Small

Business Association Business Expo at the amphitheater in Washington Park on Saturday, August 12, 2023.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached three year lease with Harbor Country Adventures for the Greenhouse Office.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached 90% complete designs for the Water Tower Renovation Project.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Michigan City's 1st Annual Employee Golf Outing on August 27, 2023 and agreed to reduce each player's fees by \$8.00.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board tabled the request to post a Bolt for the Heart 5K banner in Washington Park until a picture of the banner, the banner size and exact location where it will be displayed is provided to them.

Superintendent Ed Shinn reported on increased revenue at the zoo, sand removal, water line breaks, and the progress of opening the Oasis Splash Park. Superintendent Shinn recognized the Park Department employees for their hard work during this busy season and sent a special thank you to Assistant Greens Superintendent Mychal Moore for keeping the golf course running smoothly while vacant positions are being filled.

Assistant Superintendent Shannon Eason reported the City Council heard, on second and third reading last night, a request for funding for the Fedder's Alley Playground and Fitness Park in the amount of \$750,000.00 and it was unanimously approved. Mrs. Eason presented Maintenance Director Pat Voltz with a certificate of appreciation from the Michigan City Police Department for assisting them with their 2023 Youth Academy.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved city claims filed on account of appropriations for the Parks and Recreation Department in the amount of \$371,159.90.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Payroll #11, 05/14/23 through 05/27/23, in the amount of \$99,371.91.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Payroll #12, 05/28/23 through 06/10/23 in the amount of \$113,145.06.

- On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved payment of invoices totaling \$130,885.10 paid through the June 20, 2023 Board of Works meeting.
- On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved payment of invoices totaling \$431.95 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 6:00 p.m.


Shannon Eason, Assistant Superintendent


Tim Glidden, Park Board Secretary

Minutes prepared by Shannon Eason