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The Michigan City Park and Recreation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at the hour of 5:00 P.M. at Krueger Memorial Hall, 801 Liberty Trail, 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, and Lange, and Ms. Espar (4)

Absent: None (0)

Also present were Ed Shinn, Superintendent; Shannon Eason, Assistant Superintendent; Laura Nirenberg, Park Board Attorney; Bruce Manner, Port Authority Board; Mike Dempsey, Kevin Harmon and Andre Steele, ALCO TV.

- ❑ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the minutes of the October 7, 2020 Park Board meeting.

Assistant Superintendent Eason reported work on the final punch list for the Old Lighthouse Museum project is expected to be completed by the end of October.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Lange, seconded by Ms. Espar and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board removed the 2021 Annual Zoo Hours, Fees, Programs, and Contracts and the 2021 and 2022 Administrative Fees and Contracts from the table.
- ❑ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached 2021 Annual Zoo Hours, Fees, Programs, and Contracts and the 2021 and 2022 Administrative Fees and Contracts.
- ❑ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, seconded by Mr. Lange and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board amended the motion above to approve the recommended changes to the attached Location Release recommended by City Attorney LaPaich-Stalbrink.

Superintendent Ed Shinn reported the zoo was awarded two Unity Foundation grants, one for a bottle filling station and drinking fountain and one for repairs to the raptor exhibit, repairs to the catwalk column are being made, engineering students from Purdue Northwest are working on a solution to the safety issues on the pier during dangerous conditions, the roof is still leaking at

North Pointe Pavilion and he is looking at solutions, the filming at Washington Park has been completed, he attended the Senior Center Advisory Board meeting and some of the Seniors want the center opened, others do not, but he is bringing back Senior Center Director Tara Miller from furlough and she will be conducting contactless programs and outreach, the Park Department is working with the Michigan City Sustainability Committee to implement recycling in some of our parks, it was brought to his attention that North Pointe Pavilion needs a sign, he is working on a recommendation for making some designated areas in the park system dog friendly, and he was asked by a member of the public to look into a program for metal detectors to be used in lawn areas.

Assistant Superintendent Eason stated Super C Concession was not able to operate at Patriot Park during the 2020 season due to the pandemic. They had a three-year contract ending in 2020 and they would like to extend the contract through the end of the 2021 season.

Attorney Nirenberg stated she reviewed the Patriot Park Concession Lease Agreement and it can be renewed for 1 year if the terms and conditions remain the same.

- On a motion made by Mr. Lange, seconded by Ms. Espar 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 \$59,877.78.

- On a motion made by Mr. Lange, seconded by Ms. Espar and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Payroll #21, 09/20/20 through 10/03/20, in the amount of \$56,155.99.

- On a motion made by Mr. Lange, seconded by Ms. Espar and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board accepted donations for Boo at the Zoo from the following:

Don Carl Weinig	\$ 79.20
Michigan City Exchange Club	\$150.00
Washington Park Zoological Society	\$362.08
Current Electric, Inc.	\$300.00
General Insurance Services	\$300.00
Prendergast Agency	\$150.00
DeVries Tire Company	\$150.00
Deutscher Construction LLC	\$300.00
Michigan City Lions Club, Inc.	\$150.00

- On a motion made by Mr. Lange, seconded by Ms. Espar and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the following minor transfer:

Administration Fund 2056.502		
Decrease account no. 411.015	Sick Day Buy Back	\$3,364.00
Increase account no. 413.004	Unemployment	\$1,760.00

Increase account no. 413.017 Vacation Bonus \$1,604.00

- On a motion made by Mr. Lange, seconded by Ms. Espar and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the following minor transfer:

Senior Center Fund 2056.506
Decrease account no. 411.013 Full Time Salaries \$10,920.00
Increase account no. 413.004 Unemployment \$10,920.00

- On a motion made by Mr. Lange, seconded by Ms. Espar and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the following minor transfer:

Golf Course Fund 2062.000
Decrease account no. 413.015 Sick Day Buy Back \$ 25.00
Increase account no. 413.017 Vacation Bonus \$ 25.00

- On a motion made by Mr. Freese, supported by all members of the Board, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:29 p.m.


Shannon Eason, Assistant Superintendent


Kent Lange, Park Board Secretary

Minutes prepared by Shannon Eason