City of Evansville

Park & Recreation Board Regular Meeting

Tuesday, September 20th, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Park board will be held in person at City Hall located at 31 S Madison St on the third floor.

Copies of the packet and/or agenda are available at http://www.ci.evansville.wi.gov/city_government/public_agendas_minutes/park_board.php

MINUTES

1. Call to order

Made by Chairperson Lewis at 6:00 pm

2. Roll call

Lewis, Espinosa, Merritt, Poock, Prudhon. Absent: Fuson and Pfeil. Also in attendance Chad Renly, Marisa Miller, Angie Olsen, Bill Lathrop and Samantha Ihlenfeldt.

3. Motion to approve the agenda

Espinosa/Prudhon 5-0 motion passed

4. Motion to waive the reading of the August 16th 2022 minutes and approve them as printed.

Espinosa reported a misspelling of his name throughout the minutes, his name is spelled with an s, not a z. Poock/Lewis 5-0 motion passed.

5. Citizen appearances other than agenda items listed

A. Bill Lathrop asked if the city uses any pesticides or herbicides which require city notice. Renly replied that we do use some applications and will be posting application notices in the near future. The signage is on order currently.

6. New business

A. Senior Project discussion – fish line disposal. Samantha Ihlenfeldt is proposing three total fish line disposals for a senior project at Lake Leota. She plans to fundraise \$650, and leftover fundraising efforts will go to St. John's Lutheran Church. The fish line that is discarded in these disposals will go to the DNR or third-party Company to recycle them and make them into new fishing line, lures and tackle boxes. She plans to attend historic preservation on 9/21/2022 for approval as well. She wants to place them near both piers and one by the dam. If approved she would be installing them as soon as she can. She will be building them herself. Movement to approve senior project Poock/Espinosa 5-0 motion passed.

7. Park's report

A. General report

Renly reported a lot of rain lately, making the grass grow quickly and it's been difficult to keep up with mowing. They've needed to adjust the sluice gate due to rain levels.

B. Lake Leota Dam repair – Renly reported that council approved moving forward with the design for capping of the spillways. Rough estimate is around 1.5 million dollars currently. DNR has two options. One would be to de-water the lake over the winter. They don't want the sluice gate operating over fears that it wouldn't be able to keep up with the spring melt and rain. The south spillway is very fragile. Renly reported that the current plan is to build a cofferdam around the sluice gate and southern spillway and use the northern spillway for spillover. Use of the cofferdam could have a monthly rental fee.

8. Pool report

A. Olsen reports that she is waiting to hear back if Badger Pools can winterize the pool. Anderson still needs to do various winterizing tasks around the pool as well. Repairs to the pool have held up well, and they are hoping the repairs hold up through the winter.

9. Old business

A. Park & Pool Design update

Renly reports that they've begun moving dirt. Windmill Ridge Road has no outlet and citizen has been complaining that people have been turning around in their driveway and leaving marks on their driveway. Renly ordered a No Outlet sign and will place it on Garfield to prevent excessive traffic from coming down Windmill Ridge Rd.

Poock reports that the campaign committee has been meeting. The slogan for the campaign is Growing Our Parks: Recreation for Generations. Baker Street will decide on naming rights for the park. The committee is looking for help with the campaign.

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10. Other

A: Meeting reminder: Regular meeting on October 18th, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

11. Motion to adjourn

Espinosa/ Prudhon 5-0 motion passed at 6:29 pm.