

SEMI-MONTHLY PARK BOARD MEETING

DATE: MARCH 23, 2022

TIME: 4:15 PM

LOCATION: BOARD ROOM, PARKS DEPT

PARK BOARD PRESENT: GARY BOWEN, GARY NOLLEY, TERIE ANDERSON,
TAMMY KNOX

OTHERS PRESENT: HANNAH GUNNELL - SHELBYVILLE NEWS
ANNA TUNGATE - ADDISON TIMES
JEFF BROWN - GIANT FM
NOAH HENDERSON
SARAH NEWKIRK

PARK STAFF PRESENT: ROB VAN TIL - DIRECTOR
TRISHA TACKETT - ASST DIR/REC DIR
CHRIS STEPHENS - SPORTS/MAINT DIR
WENDY WISE - ADMIN ASST

Gary Bowen asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2022 meeting and to accept claims as presented. Gary Nolley motioned to approve the minutes and claims, Terie seconded. Motion carried.

RECREATION REPORT

Rob updated the board on program numbers. There are currently 15 signed up for Brownies and Bunnies, 19 for summer camp, 52 for 40 & over softball and for SCG 1 team and 27 individual registrants. Chris said Waldron would be putting in a couple of teams.

SPORTS REPORT

Coed and A league volleyball have finished. B league will finish on April 5th.

Chris said he was asked today about running an outdoor pickleball league. They would like to do two nights, but the only facility is Kennedy's tennis court. They would like Monday and Wednesday or Wednesday and Sunday. The league would be six weeks. The first session would end just before July 4th and the second league would start in August.

MAINTENANCE

Chris told the board that Cord Brothers gave us a quote of \$13,000 to replace everything but the insulation on the roof. This would include decking, shingles and rubber flat roofs. The insulation put in place by Johnson & Melloh seems to have caused the problems. He is also working on getting a quote for spray in insulation. When he gets all the numbers he will contact Joey at Johnson & Melloh.

Chris asked Jamie Merringer, Advanced Turf Solutions, who quoted grading the softball diamonds at Blue River if we could get one of the payments deferred to next year. He will check into it and let Chris know.

Chris thanked Tammy and the Horseshoe Indianapolis Casino for grass seed and topsoil. They got the blankets down.

Trugreen will be doing pre emergent starting tomorrow. Except areas that they have just seeded.

Rob told the board that we got quotes for the surfacing at Kennedy and Sunset. They sent several options. One option is to cap it which will cost about \$13,000 at Sunset. They also talked about using artificial turf in place of the pouring in place surface because it is easier to pack. They could also do the same colors that are there now. It is basically the same cost as the current surface, but the maintenance is easier. Gary Nolley asked about the lifespan. Chris said they assume it is about the same. The poured in place surface has been at Sunset for about 20 years. Parks are starting to switch to artificial turf. Rob said it is still ADA compliant. Rob said Kennedy would be about \$58,000. His plan is to patch Kennedy one more time, then try to get it replaced.

Rob told the board that a tree blew down at Kennedy and fell on a neighbors fence. He is waiting on the adjuster to call back. Gary Nolley asked if we were also responsible for the tree that fell at the City Cemetery. Chris said yes we are. He hired Barry Pierce to take care of it.

OLD BUSINESS

Noah updated the board on the Morrison project. The nine square has been set up. The material for the information station came in last week. Sarah Newkirk spoke to the board about the rededication. She asked the board how big they wanted this ceremony to be. Sarah told the board that Jennifer and Jordan with the Blue River Foundation expressed interest in trying

to do some sort of event. Terie suggested a Saturday in June. Rob asked Sarah to coordinate with Tiffany Kredit, parks special events coordinator.

NEW BUSINESS

DIRECTOR REPORT

Rob told the board that we have a Blue River Community Foundation endowment that was set up as a designated fund and it should have been set up as an agency fund. Instead of taking the yearly payout we can choose to allow it to rollback in principal. The \$820 we would normally take out and put into one of our funds can be put back and used for something more expensive down the road. Terie motioned to roll the yearly payment back into the principal, Tammy seconded. Motion carried.

The board approved Rob to be added as a signer to the bank account at First Federal Bank.

Adjournment at 4:45 pm
