

## THE RENSSELAER PARK BOARD MEETING

THE RENSSELAER PARK BOARD MEETING WAS HELD ON OCTOBER 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2023 AT THE IROQUOIS PARK HEADQUARTERS LOCATED AT 212 N. COLLEGE AVE, RENSSELAER INDIANA AT 6:30 PM. PRESIDENT MICHAEL MANIS CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:29 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE SEPTEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> MEETING IS AS FOLLOWS; MICHAEL MANIS, RICK WILLIAMS, GLEN ALLIE, SUE WING & JANICE DENO.

OTHERS PRESENT AT THE OCTOBER 2<sup>ND</sup> 2023 MEETING WERE; STACE PICKERING, GREG WHALEY, MIKE MARTIN, JOHN HOWARD, ROBERT SCHENK, & SUPERINTENDENT JOSEPH G. EFFINGER.

THE PARK BOARD MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> 2023 MEETING WERE PRESENTED AND A MOTION WAS MADE BY GLEN ALLIE AND SECONDED BY RICK WILLIAMS TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.

THE REST OF THE MEETING WAS HANDLED IN THE RENSSELAER COMMUNITY RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION MEETING.

PRESIDENT MICHAEL MANIS TOLD PARK BOARD MEMBERS OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> 2023 AT 6:00PM. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE HIGHLAND BARN LOCATED AT 5118 S. 1000 W. RENSSELAER.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RICK WILLIAMS AND SECONDED BY GLEN ALLIE TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. MOTION CARRIED.

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JOSEPH G. EFFINGER  
SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS

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THE TREASURERS REPORT WAS PRESENTED. THE AMOUNT ON HAND IS AS FOLLOWS:

MEMORIAL T-ACCOUNT	\$ 2,024.80
LARUE POOL T-ACCOUNT	\$ 2,402.88
BASEBALL/SOFTBALL T-ACCOUNT	\$ 4,189.31
SKATE PARK T-ACCOUNT	\$ 100.00
NEW AQUATICS T-ACCOUNT	\$ 7,996.54
NEW SHELTER	\$ 0.00
DOG PARK T-ACCOUNT	\$ 1,988.50
WATER AEROBICS/SWIM PROGRAM	\$ 0.00
THOMAS EFFINGER MEMORIAL T – ACCOUNT	\$ 0.00
PARK & LEASURE T – ACCOUNT	\$ 4,260.62
BLACKER FIELDS	\$ 9,190.36
NEW PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE	<u>\$ 1,923.00</u>
TOTAL	\$34,076.01

CONCESSIONS ACCOUNT \$ 11,909.01

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RICK WILLIAMS AND SECONDED BY JANICE DENO TO ACCEPT THE TREASURERS REPORT. MOTION CARRIED.

GREG WHALEY CAME TO THE PARK CORPORATION MEETING TO TALK ABOUT THE MINITURE TRAINS THAT WERE BUILT IN RENSSELAER. GREG GAVE PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS A BRIEF HISTORY ON THE MINITURE TRAINS THAT WERE BUILT IN RENSSELAER. GREG WOULD LIKE TO BRING A RENSSELAER BUILT MINITURE TRAIN BACK TO RENSSELAER FOR DISPLAY PURPOSES ONLY. GREG HAS LOCATED A TRAIN THAT IS NOT RUNNING THAT IS 80 FEET LONG WITH 100 FEET OF TRACK FOR \$25,000.00. GREG WOULD LIKE IT TO PLACE IT IN ONE OF OUR PARKS, UNDER A ROOF WITH A BACKGROUND BEHIND THE TRAIN AND THE HISTORY OF THE RENSSELAER MINITURE TRAIN ON THE BACKSIDE. GREG IS STILL WORKING ON TOTAL COSTS SO HE COULD ASK THE JASPER COUNTY TOURISM BOARD FOR FUNDING. GREG TOLD THE PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS, WHAT HE WOULD NEED FROM THEM IS A PLACE FOR THE MONEY TO GO AND USE OF THE PARK CORPORATION'S 501 C 3 NON PROFIT INFORMATION. A LENGTHY DISCUSSION FOLLOWED.

AFTER THE DISCUSSION, A MOTION WAS MADE BY STACE PICKERING AND SECONDED BY JANICE DENO TO ALLOW GREG TO GO TO THE JASPER COUNTY TOURISM BOARD AS A SPOKE PERSON FOR THE PROJECT, AND ALLOW GREG TO RUN FUNDS THROUGH THE PARK CORPORATIONS NONPROFIT INFORMATION FOR THE PROJECT. MOTION CARRIED. MICHAEL MANIS, STACE PICKERING & SUE WING WILL ASSIST GREG WITH THE MINITURE TRAIN PROJECT.

MICHAEL MANIS TOLD PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS HE JUST ATTENDED THE TIF MEETING TO ASK FOR FUNDS TO HELP IN FUNDING THE PARKS PROGRAMS FOR THE 2024 SEASON. MIKE TOLD PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS WE WERE AWARDED \$25,000.00 FOR THE 2024 PARKS PROGRAMS. THERE WAS SOME REQUIREMENTS THAT NEEDS DONE TO RECEIVE THE TIF FUNDS FOR FUTURE. A BRIEF DISCUSSION FOLLOWED.

STACE PICKERING TOLD PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS THE FILSON PARK PROJECT WILL START BACK UP IN MID OCTOBER. THE CONCRETE AREAS AROUND THE DUG OUTS AND BLEACHERS AT STADDON FIELD WILL ALSO BE STARTING SOON. STACE ASKED SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGER IF HIS DEPARTMENT COULD STRIP THE SOD AROUND THE CIRCLE WHERE THE 2 COLLUMS WITH THE FENCE ARE AT FOUNDATION PARK FOR LANDSCAPING. SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGER TOLD STACE IT WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF.

SUE WING ASKED SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGER ASKED ABOUT THE TENNIS COURT FENCE BECAUSE BALLS CAN ROLL UNDER IT. SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGER TOLD MEMBERS HE NEEDS TO GET MORE FILL AROUND IT. GLEN ALLIE SUGGESTED TO USE THE POOL NOODLES AROUND THE BOTTOM OF IT. GLEN TOLD MEMBERS HE PLAYS AT A PLACE IN FLORIDA AND THAT IS HOW THEY FIXED IT. SUPERINTENDENT TOLD MEMBERS, HE WILL TRY THAT.

JANICE DENO ASKED CORPORATION MEMBERS ABOUT A YOUTH FALL BASEBALL LEAGUE FROM SEPTEMBER TO OCTOBER. CORPORATION MEMBERS WERE NOT TOO SURE ABOUT HOW WELL IT WOULD GO OVER BECAUSE OF THE YOUTH SOCCER AND OTHER FALL LEAGUES ARE AT THIS TIME. A BRIEF DISCUSSION FOLLOWED.

JOSH DAVIS TALKED WITH PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS HE IS LOOKING INTO SEEING IF IT IS POSSIBLE TO GIVE TO THE PARK DEPARTMENT FUNDS FROM VIOLATION / FINES. A BRIEF DISCUSSION FOLLOWED.

GLEN ALLIE DISCUSSED WITH PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS ABOUT CREATING A BUDGET TO START GETTING RESERVED FUNDS FOR PARK PROJECTS / REPAIRS. GLEN TOLD MEMBERS HE WOULD WORK WITH SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGER SO FEE'S COULD BE SET FOR THE 2024 SEASON AT EITHER OUR NEXT MEETING OR OUR MEETING IN JANUARY. A BRIEF DISCUSSION FOLLOWED.

PRESIDENT MICHAEL MANIS TOLD PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS OUR NEXT PARK CORPORATION MEETING WOULD BE HELD ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT HIGHLAND BARN LOCATED AT 5118 S. 1000 W. RENSSELAER.

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