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The Michigan City Park and Recreation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, June 7, 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. Freese and Glidden, and Mrs. Sperling (3)**

**Absent: Mr. Latchford (1)**

**Also present were** Ed Shinn, Superintendent; Shannon Eason, Assistant Superintendent; Laura Nirenberg, Park Board Attorney; Pat Voltz, Maintenance Director; Marty Nieman, Golf Manager; Bruce Manner, Michigan City Port Authority Board; Rodney McCormick; Damir Lee; Dominic Yanke, Park Intern; Scott Miller and Rick Wright, LaPorte County Convention and Visitors Bureau; David Szymanski; and Drew White, ALCO TV.

- On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the minutes of the May 17, 2023 Board meeting.

Vice President Freese asked if there were any submissions for the Greenhouse Office Space Lease; there were none and the submission period was closed.

Assistant Superintendent Eason reported one bid was received for the Greenhouse Office Space Lease from Harbor Country Adventures in the amount of \$8,400.00 annually with the added value of operating a welcome center valued at \$7,153.00 for a total of \$15,553.00.

- On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the board accepted the bid submitted by Harbor Country Adventures for the Greenhouse Office Building Lease.
- On a motion made by Mrs. Sperling, seconded by Mr. Glidden and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Restoration License Agreements for 1218, 1224 and 1226 Lake Shore Drive were tabled.

Assistant Superintendent Eason reported the Stepping Stone Women's Shelter 5K event has been cancelled.

- On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board tabled the 2024 budgets and capital requests.
- On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached request submitted by the Michigan City Area Schools to host a summer feeding program and Joe Hawkins and Tall Timbers Parks from June 5 through July 21, 2023.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached request, submitted by the Michigan City Public Art Committee to place a large ram sculpture in Washington Park on the north side of Lake Shore Drive across the street from the zoo.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mrs. Sperling, seconded by Mr. Glidden and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached revisions to the 2023 golf fees and gave permission to Golf Manager Marty Nieman to use specials to attract golfers during slow periods with discounts not to exceed \$16 below the approved fees.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mrs. Sperling, seconded by Mr. Glidden and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached request to allow dogs at Millennium Plaza.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached special purchase request for a pesticide spraying agreement for the golf courses.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached Professional Service Agreement with Specialized Services for pesticide spraying at the golf courses.

Superintendent Shinn reported on operations at the golf course, maintenance department, zoo, and the senior center and gave updates on the Michigan City Youth Baseball League and City Kids Day Camp.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mrs. Sperling 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 \$126,306.51.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Payroll #10, 04/30/23 through 05/13/23, in the amount of \$84,878.10.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board accepted donations to the zoo from Kappa Kappa in the amount of \$50, an anonymous donor in the amount of \$20 and from the coin racer machine in the amount of \$24.33.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Freese, supported by all members of the Board, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.



Shannon Eason, Assistant Superintendent



Tim Glidden, Park Board Secretary

Minutes prepared by Shannon Eason