

City of Evansville
Park & Recreation Board Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 22, 2020, 6:00 p.m.

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MINUTES

1. Call to order by Chairperson Joy Morrison at 6:00 pm
2. Roll call: Morrison, Espinosa, Merritt, Prudhon, Poock, Fuson, Hamilton. Also present were Ian Rigg, Ray Anderson, Chad Renley, Angie Olsen, Leah Hurtley.
3. Motion to approve the agenda made by Prudhon, seconded by Hamilton, approved on voice vote.
4. Motion to waive the reading of the February 18, 2020 minutes and approve them with a change from Agenda to Minutes as printed by Poock, second by Fuson, approved by voice vote.
5. Citizen appearances other than agenda items listed: None
6. New business
 - A. COVID 19 Response – field rental, pool opening and programs
 - i. Managers are waiting until the end of the current Safer at Home order. The CDC verified that the chlorine in the pool will kill the Covid-19 virus but the rest of the facility will require constant sanitizing and proper social distancing which can't be guaranteed. If the pool were to open, the programs such as swim team, lessons, and other activities would require a thorough review before the programs could open. The pool will require repairs and then will take two full weeks to prepare for opening. Staffing is not an issue. Decision on opening the pool will be revisited at the May meeting and sales of passes or lessons be held until a decision is made.
 - ii. Facility rental reservations should not be taken at this time.
 - iii. Baseball issues include timing on getting shirts printed, registration time issues and number of registrations. Leah Hurtley reported that baseball registrations would normally be at least half full but the current registrations are extremely low and they have not been taking registrations due to the accounting issues. It is difficult to understand the issues related

to public safety. Shirts could be printed and if there isn't a season, held for next season. The determination on the baseball season will be reviewed at the May meeting and hold registrations but proceed with the printing of the shirts.

- B. Motion to approve overnight stay at the park: The request for an overnight stay for the Cub Scouts has been withdrawn until further plans can be made.
 - C. Klondike Derby 2021: Boys Scouts are looking at an expansion of the fishing Derby and are looking at plans for the event again in 2021.
7. Parks report
- A. Repairs and improvements 2020: Park Store and Bell Tower roofs have been replaced. Ray would like to have the bathroom doors replaced and the concrete in front of the Scout House. Scouts may be interested in helping with the cost. The dam repair grant application is moving forward. Bathrooms have been prepared but the water is not on. Wind Prairie was burned off two weeks ago by the Fire Department. Tree removal and stump grinding has been completed. Sunday May 3 has been selected as a Park Cleanup Day and there have been plans to keep the cleanup crews properly distanced.
8. Opening Restrooms water will be turned on next week so that once the order to open is extended they will be ready to be unlocked.
9. Pool report: Angie will contact Badger Pool and investigate the cost to get the pool repairs.
10. Old business
- A. Master Plan: Waiting for Jason Sergeant's final draft.
 - B. Geese Population: 5 Options: Manufactured deterrent Away with Geese, geese specific, would need 8 units at \$398 each. Bird be Gone, would require 4 but impacts other bird species. Goose Egg addling which impacts hatching of the eggs and requires DNR and USFish and Wildlife Service approval and takes years to take impact. Predatory bird. Hire hunters to cull the geese, requires DNR and USFS permit and park must be closed.
 - C. Dam Repair: A regular report has been developed to monitor the dam, creek, water flow, and lake.
 - D. Referenda: Had planned to pass out surveys at the election. There is an online survey available but have not received with a lot of responses. Rigg feels both need to be put to vote this year.
 - E. Vandalism deterrents: There had been a previous discussion on adding motion sensor lights. Police have been patrolling the parks heavily. Ray and Chad will review possible options to see if it can get done soon. Ray would also like to look at the possibility of a few cameras in a few areas.
11. Other: None

12. Meeting Reminder: Regular meeting on May 19, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

13. Motion to adjourn made by Poock, second by Hamilton.