

City of Evansville
Park & Recreation Board Regular Monthly Meeting
Third Floor City Hall, 31 South Madison Street
Tuesday, October 18, 2016, 6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

1. Call to order. 6:30p.m
2. Roll call. Roll call. Ladick, Courtier, Brice (arrived at 6:45 pm), Merritt, and Espinosa. Fuson and Hamilton were absent. Also in attendance Mike Pheil, Jolene Klitzman, Ray Anderson, Josh Manring and Ian Rigg.
3. Motion to approve the agenda: Ladick/Merritt; motion passed 4-0.
4. Motion to waive the reading of the September 20, 2016 minutes and approve them as printed. Ladick/Merritt; motion passed 4-0.
5. Citizen appearances other than agenda items listed. None
6. Parks report. Creek wall replacement has started. Donated trees will be planted after soccer is done. Cement work around press box is done. Bathrooms will be closed soon depending on the weather. Pool is nearly winterized.
7. Old business.
 - a. Rigg gave a quick review of the 2017 Budget edits from Finance and Labor Relations Committee. Rigg explained why the money to repair Ante's Drive was not enough and it was removed. Rigg also spoke on why the money for a study on West Side Park was moved to 2018.
8. New business.
 - a. Ad-hoc committee to review West Side Park was discussed. From the decision of the Finance Committee to remove the funding for a hired firm to look at the needs and available opportunities it was decided that an ad-hoc committee of parents, residents and school officials could look at the park and determine what should be done for the community. Rigg asked the committee to think of individuals or representatives of different segments of the population that should serve. This will be brought up next month.
 - b. Jolene Klitzman and Mike Phiel spoke on behalf of the Evansville Angels softball organization. They are starting to have to schedule games outside of the community due to the lack of proper softball diamonds in the City. Phiel felt that having a few fields in Evansville would bring people into the community and be a big benefit. Klitzman said that there are over 500 females who are age eligible for softball and nearly 50% play softball. Costs, options for donations, volunteerism and locations were discussed. The mention of a plan for Westside Park to include such a facility was mentioned.

9. Other.

10. Motion to adjourn. Ladick/Courtier; motion passed 5-0 at 6:57 pm.

Next meeting date Tuesday, November 15, 2016, **6:30 p.m.**