

City of Evansville
Park & Recreation Board Regular Monthly Meeting
Third Floor City Hall, 31 South Madison Street
Tuesday, April 18, 2017, 6:30 p.m.

Minutes

1. Call to order at 6:38
2. Roll call: Ladick, Espinosa, Fuson, Merritt, Hamilton. Also in attendance, Rigg, and Anderson.
3. Motion to approve the agenda. Ladick/Hamilton
4. Motion to waive the reading of the March 21, 2017 minutes and approve them as printed. Ladick/Courtier
5. Citizen appearances other than agenda items listed.
 - A) Jennifer Ehle—Grove Society Program, August 27, 2017. Volunteers to do a program with Dan Stephans who is on the State Historic Commission and Timothy Heglund. Both have deep knowledge of historic districts. The focus of the presentation will be on the development of the park and historic district.
 - B) Motion to waive the rental fee for the Grove Society for use of the Horse Barn August 27, 2017. Ladick/Merritt

 - C) Jim Elkins on behalf of the Evansville Soccer Club wanted clarification on the ability to practice on the upper diamond in Leonard Leota Park. Rigg explained that some of the baseball teams wanted to use the area to practice. Due to a number of competing sports groups trying to tentatively reserve the space, soccer has been given the space and the baseball teams may use it when not reserved by the soccer club. The hope is with the reseeding of additional acres on West Side Park and that soccer will have more space to practice.

 - D) Kyle Allen has some brush he is willing to tie together and sink in Lake Leota as temporary piers. This is for information and falls under basic park maintenance.
6. Parks report. Anderson would like to suggest the Park Board consider acquiring some land adjoining Brezinski Park. Rigg suggested getting the discussion going with the land owner to see if there was any interest in selling the land. Anderson removed some invasive weeds at the warming house. Will need to let them grow back and need to cut then spray but due to proximity to the lake will need a licensed applicator. Bathrooms are open. Wall by park store is completed. West Side Park additional area has been sprayed and will need 30 days before planting. Plan is to plant oats (donated) then will replant to grass in the fall. Rigg added that repairs to the warming house will be completed by July 4. Would be a like for like repair so may only need City approval.

7. Pool Report: Met with the consultants. Still taking applications for life guards and park store. More applications are needed. Swim team sign ups will take place at Family Fun Night. Angie wanted to look at changing the rates. No change to the rates but administrative language could be changed. These could include updating definitions of household, senior and veteran discounts, and people returning for the evening. Super pass with other communities does not seem viable. Water heater for showers will be replaced in the first half of May.
8. Old business.
9. New business: Motion to waive reservation fees for the Evansville Jays for the 2017 season in exchange for work and improvements completed at the park. Ladick/Fuson
10. Other.
11. Motion to adjourn. Ladick/Merritt 7:14 pm

Next meeting date Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.