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The Michigan City Park and Recreation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, February 4, 2015 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. Chatfield, Freese, and Dabney (3)

Absent: Latchford (1)

Also present were: Jeremy Kienitz, Superintendent; Shannon Eason, Assistant Superintendent; Jeff Katz, Park Board Attorney; Joe Doyle, City Council Liaison; Jennifer Olsen, Healthy Communities of LaPorte County; Herb Higgin, Safe Harbor Program; Jamie Huss, Zoo Director; Elizabeth Emerick, Assistant Zoo Director; Shawne Sheldon, Zoo Retail and Accounting Clerk; Richard Chambers, The News Dispatch; and Andre Steele, ALCO TV.

- On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Dabney and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the minutes of the January 21, 2015 Park Board meeting.
- On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Dabney and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board agreed to remove the 2015 zoo hours, fees, programs, and events from the table.
- On a motion made by Mr. Dabney, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached 2015 zoo hours, fees, programs, and events.
- On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Dabney and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board agreed to table the 2014 4th Quarter Report.
- On a motion made by Mr. Dabney, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached 2015 City Kids Day Camp Program and fees.
- On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Dabney and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached 2015 Adult Softball League and fees.

- On a motion made by Mr. Dabney, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached Major Event License Agreement for the 2015 Soccer in the Sand Tournament.

Jennifer Olsen presented facts and statistics related to LaPorte County.

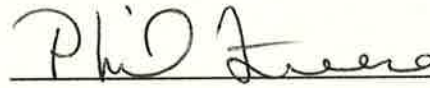
Herb Higgin read the attached letter from students in the "Our Voice" program supporting a ban on smoking in parks.

Superintendent Jeremy Kienitz reported on the Bismarck Hill assessment and restoration plan project, staff evaluations, the creation of sub committees comprised of administrative staff to address social media, event planning and programming, a possible sponsor for the 2015 fireworks and the 2015-2020 capital plan.

Park Board Attorney Jeff Katz reported Seven Peaks has paid the balance due on their contract in the amount of \$6,000.00. Attorney Katz is working with Sack's Home Improvement to resolve the zoo construction contract issues.

- On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Dabney and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board tabled Resolution No. 799 related to a smoking ban.
- On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Dabney 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 \$6,683.31.
- On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Dabney and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Payroll #2, 01/04/15 through 01/17/15, in the amount of \$42,051.13.
- On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Dabney and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board accepted a donation from Haas and Associates in the amount of \$300.00 for a youth baseball sponsorship.
- On a motion made by Mr. Freese, supported by all members of the Board, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.


Shannon Eason, Assistant Superintendent


Phil Freese, Park Board Secretary

Attachments to the February 4, 2015 Park Board meeting:

1. 2015 Zoo Hours, Fees, Program and Events
2. 2015 City Kids Day Camp Program and Fees
3. 2015 Adult Softball League and Fees
4. Major Event License Agreement for 2015 Soccer in the Sand Tournament
5. Claims Docket Allowance for Vouchers Dated 02/03/15

Minutes prepared by Shannon Eason