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**The Michigan City Park and Recreation Board** met in regular session on Wednesday, June 1, 2016 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, Latchford, Freese, and Silvestri (4)**

**Absent: None (0)**

**Also present were:** Jeremy Kienitz, Superintendent; Shannon Eason, Assistant Superintendent; Jeff Katz, Park Board Attorney; Tim Mahoney, National Playground Compliance Group; Randy Durham, Greens Superintendent, Elizabeth Durham; Heidi Morgan; Chuck Morgan; Helen Meriam, Don Przybylinski, City Councilman; Anna Painter; Pat Painter; Sharon Carnes, City Councilwoman; Moe Mroueh, Rick Turner and Ken Turner, Fire and Water Restaurant; Mike Milatovic, Sanitary District of Michigan City; Bernie Scott; Greg Deutscher; and Andre Steele, ALCO TV.

- On a motion made by Mr. Silvestri, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the minutes of the May 18, 2016 Park Board meeting.

Investors of Fire and Water Restaurant, Rick and Ken Turner, introduced themselves. They are excited by the opportunity to be involved.

Tim Mahoney presented the attached first conceptual design and overview for the Gardena Playground Renovation Project.

The Gardena Playground Renovation Project public input session number 1 was open for public comment.

Park Board member Larry Silvestri stated he would like to see improvements to the west parking lot.

Bernie Scott asked that the Kenneth L. Scott Memorial not be disturbed. Kenneth was his brother and was killed in Viet Nam. Mr. Scott also reported upon his father's death, his family donated money to Little Lighthouse Landing to build the ship play set, which was dedicated to

his father. Mr. Scott would like that structure to be renovated if possible and if not, replaced with something similar in honor of his father.

Hele Miriam stated she lives across the street from the horseshoe area and picnic shelter. Those using the shelter and horseshoe pit have nowhere to park, so they park along Gardena Street in front of homes. She would like to see a small parking area built to serve those areas.

Councilman Don Przybylinski stated this project is a fantastic opportunity for Michigan City residents and the Gardena Park neighborhood. Councilman Przybylinski asked that the project not be cut short due to lack of funding, he is in favor of additional funding to make this a great project.

Park Board Vice President Phil Latchford asked that landscaping and beautification of the park be included in the design. He stated the banner advertising the public input process was a great idea to inform neighbors and users of the park.

Park Superintendent Jeremy Kienitz reported 140 surveys have been completed to date. Mr. Kienitz thanked the residents of Michigan City for their participation in the planning process. Mr. Kienitz also noted the engraved bricks will be incorporated into the new design to preserve them.

Park Board President Chris Chatfield thanked the community for their great response through the surveys, noting this will help the department devise a good road map for the project.

With no further comments, the public input session was closed.

One proposal was received, opened and read aloud for a John Deere Gator from Castongia Tractor in the amount of \$13,808.17 less trade in value of \$5,308.17.

One proposal was received, opened and read aloud for a Toro GM 7200 mower from Kenney Outdoor Solutions in the amount of \$18,671.59.

One proposal was received, opened and read aloud for a Kubota Tractor from Burriss Equipment in the amount of \$33,772.80.

One proposal was received, opened and read aloud for a rotary finishing mower from Burriss Equipment in the amount of \$21,954.00.

Two proposals were received, opened and read aloud for a new concrete patio around the zoo deck from Ryan Stimley in the amount of \$11,075.00 and from Deutscher Construction in the amount of \$15,500.00.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Silvestri, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board instructed the Superintendent to work the Park Board Attorney

to review the proposals, draft a contract for the most responsive bidder and to issue a notice to proceed for the zoo patio project.

Two proposals were received, opened and read aloud for a new roof over the existing zoo deck from Deutscher Construction in the amount of \$33,500.00 and from J & B West Construction in the amount of \$58,318.75.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Latchford, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board instructed the Superintendent to work the Park Board Attorney to review the proposals, draft a contract for the most responsive bidder and to issue a notice to proceed for the zoo deck roof project.
- ❑ On motion made by Mr. Latchford, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board agreed to allow the Michigan City Public Art Committee to install the Joe Dahm sculpture on the lawn in front of the maintenance facility located at 201 E. Highway 12, Michigan City, IN 46360. The Michigan City Art Committee will pay for all costs related to the installation and the Board would like to see it landscaped.
- ❑ On a motion made by MR. Freese, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached 2016 Junior Golf Program and fees.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Silvestri, seconded by Mr. Freese and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached Agreement Between Owner and Contractor with Circle "R" Electric to separate the alarms in the park offices from the restaurant at North Pointe Pavilion.

Park Superintendent Jeremy Kienitz reported on this year's City Kids Day Camp, the golf course tree removal project, the new fleet of golf carts delivered today, damage at the golf maintenance shop from a fallen tree, the Senior's RSVP luncheon, a successful Memorial Day weekend in Washington Park, and the 2017 budget schedule.

Park Board Attorney Jeff Katz announced the termination of his Retainer Agreement with the Park Board noting he would work through the next Park Board meeting on June 15, 2016.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Silvestri 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 \$48,447.04.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Payroll #11, 05/08/16 through 05/21/16, in the amount of \$58,532.57.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board accepted a \$500.00 donation from Butler, Fairman & Seufert for Michigan City's 2016 parade.
  
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved payment of invoices totaling \$125,030.00 through the June 16, 2016 Board of Works meeting.
  
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Freese, supported by all members of the Board, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

  
Shannon Eason, Assistant Superintendent

  
Phil Freese, Park Board Secretary

Minutes prepared by Shannon Eason