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The Michigan City Park and Recreation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, June 7, 2017 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, Silvestri, and Latchford (3)

Absent: Mr. Freese (1)

Also present were: Jeremy Kienitz, Superintendent; Shannon Eason, Assistant Superintendent; Nelson Pichardo, Park Board Attorney; Marcia Metzcus; David Plawgowski; Nathanael Pilla, Save the Dunes; Larry Hartman, Eleanore Hartman; David Chatfield; Thomas Swikski; Mary Rapier; Amy Strakawaters; Larry Spaeth; Herman Smith; Jim and Sally Morse; Matt Sawetkis; Virginia Kobilca; Bruce Manner, Port Authority; Carol Spreitzer; Cheryl Chapman; Andres and David Gedgaudes; Marisa Chaples; Rob Johnson; Sarah Johnson; Natalie Conlon; Ryan Allison, Cardno; Vincent Emanuele; Alyssa Driscoll; Sergio Kochergin; Susan Childress; Anthony Peeples; Pat Ballinger; Vivian Oa; Daniel Fritz; Mary Beth Rowley; Keith and Rosemary Christenson; George and Paula Baranowski; Sarah Zawacki; Luke Stigler; Molly Kelley; Sharon Dunn; Dalia Zygus; Matt Cunningham; Anastasia Gumns; John and Karen Pavy; Laura Henderson; Natalie Johnson, Save the Dunes; and Andre Steele, ALCO TV.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Silvestri, seconded by Mr. Latchford and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the minutes of the May 17, 2017 Park Board meeting.

President Chatfield asked if there were any quotes to be submitted for the zoo avian exhibit. There were no submissions and President Chatfield closed the submission period.

Attorney Pichardo opened the only quote received from Fence Masters on June 7, 2017 at 4:55 p.m. and read the base quote amount of \$9,100.00.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Latchford, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board tabled the quote submitted by Fence Masters for the zoo avian exhibit.

President Chatfield asked if there were any proposals to be submitted for the Bismarck Hill Adventure Park. There were no submissions and President Chatfield closed the submission period.

Attorney Pichardo announced no proposals were received.

President Chatfield opened the floor to public comment about the proposed Bismarck Hill Adventure Park. After an hour of public comment, and there being no further comment, President Chatfield closed the comment period. President Chatfield accepted letters from members of the public who could not attend the meeting and instructed Mrs. Eason to attach them to these minutes.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Latchford, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board tabled the Washington Park Zoological Society's annual report.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Latchford, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board instructed Attorney Pichardo to reach out to the Port Authority's Attorney to begin discussions regarding a property swap for the new Washington Park Entrance Project.

Mr. Chatfield appointed Mr. Silvestri to the selection committee for the Washington Park Traffic Circle Project.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Latchford, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board removed the Park Department's 2017 1st quarter report from the table.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Latchford, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached Park Department 2017 1st quarter report.

Mr. Chatfield appointed Mr. Silvestri to the selection committee for the design and engineering of two boardwalks in Washington Park.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Silvestri, seconded by Mr. Latchford and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the placement of a bear sculpture near the entrance to the zoo. The two year lease will be paid by the Michigan City Public Art Committee and the City will insure the sculpture during the lease period. The Park Board reserves the right to have the sculpture moved at any time during the lease period.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Latchford, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached restoration license agreement with Mr. Martin at 1642 Lake Shore Drive for maintenance to a beach path.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Latchford, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the attached request submitted by PNC Bank to hold their Mobile Learning Adventure event in Washington Park, across from the zoo, on July 4th and 5th, 2017 noting there is no cost to the Park Department and the event is free to the public.

Superintendent Jeremy Kienitz reported on City Kids Day Camp, Adopt-a-Beach hosted by Pine School, the Michigan City Food Truck Festival, the landscaping project at North Pointe Pavilion, a water leak at the Senior Center, air conditioning problems at the Senior Center, the preparation of the 2018 budgets and capital requests, the parade on July 1, 2017, the fireworks on July 4, 2017, the Gardena Playground ribbon cutting ceremony on June 17, 2017 at 11 am, and vandalism to the lifeguard tower.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Latchford, seconded by Mr. Silvestri and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board instructed Attorney Pichardo to draft a policy regarding future ticketed events and parking fees at Fire and Water Restaurant.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Silvestri, seconded by Mr. Latchford 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 \$76,596.25.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Silvestri, seconded by Mr. Latchford and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Payroll #11, 05/07/17 through 05/20/17, in the amount of \$63,752.46.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Silvestri, seconded by Mr. Latchford and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board accepted donations from Subway in the amount of \$350.00 and from Shoe Carnival in the amount of \$350.00 for baseball sponsorship, from Butler, Fairman and Seufert in the amount of \$500.00 for the parade, and from Fort Rickey Zoo in the amount of \$1,000.00 for two wolf pups and approved payment of invoices totaling \$194.58 out of the Zoo Endowment Fund.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mr. Latchford, supported by all members of the Board, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.


Shannon Eason, Assistant Superintendent


Larry Silvestri, Park Board Secretary

Minutes prepared by Shannon Eason