

Huntingburg Park Board

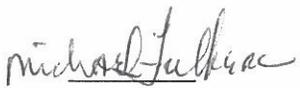
August 19, 2013

Board Members Present: Mike Fulkerson, Jason Lange, Mande Keusch, and Jose Gil

City Employees Present: Jim Rueger

- I. Jason made the motion to approve all claims. Mike seconded. Board approved 4-0.
- II. Mike made the motion to approve the July 29th minutes. Jose seconded. Board approved 4-0.
- III. Director's Report
 - A. Swimming Pool & Splash Park- last day for the swimming pool was August 5th. The Splash Park is now open from 8:30 AM to 8:30 PM, daily. There were 8,003 swimmers totaling \$34,850 which was almost \$4,000 more than last year. Jim showed Board members a full month's utility bill for the Splash Park with water and sewer charges. The sewer charges cannot be waived.
 - B. Summer playground program- Jim shared daily enrollment totals. The totals are down from 2012 at 156 youths to 120 youths this year. Jim feels that 4 counselors instead of 5 would be adequate for next year. If extra personnel is needed for field trips the life guards can be used.
 - C. 2014 Budget- \$719,033 which is a 4.7% increase this year. With utilities for the Splash Park this may need to be increased more. Resurfacing for another playground, possibly by the tennis courts, included in budget. Added money in the budget to move one part-time seasonal employee to permanent part-time (Bob Souders).
 - D. Bombers Baseball- Jim shared the daily attendance for Bomber games for 2013 season. The park will receive \$10,638.50 off of ticket sales. The Bombers have plans for bigger and better next year. Dubois County Tourism will help with the aesthetics. We are looking at adding a brick front wall and add a new safety net above home plate. Concession stand improvements underneath stands, possibly Trex floorboards, a section at a time. Jason Thacker will be adding more Hardy board. An engineer looked into adding concrete flooring but it was too costly.
 - E. Projects
 1. Dog Park fence set to be started on September 16th.
 2. Park employees will begin patching some of the sidewalks and walking paths at the park.
 - F. Herbstfest Lease- There will be no hog wrestling. Jason made a motion to approve the lease. Mande seconded. Board approved 4-0.
- IV. Comments
 - A. Heard request from Hispanic Festival committee members for the Park employees to assist them in bringing tables from Bombers concession stand to the Old Town Hall parking lot for their fest September 13th and 14th. Insurance for the festival is currently being worked on. Biggest obstacle currently is running electricity to the area.
 - B. Mande mentioned that in the original plans of the handicapped accessible playground area there was a handicapped accessible swing included. This was not ordered, and Jim will look into getting it ordered.
 - C. Mike requested that Jim get pricing on have sensor light switches placed in all bathrooms in the parks to save on electrical costs. He suggested looking into support from Energizing Indiana for this. Jim mentioned that Honeywell Corporation is doing an Energy Audit on all City buildings. He will check with the Energy Superintendent about this and see if it could be included.

- D. Mike discussed needing to add on shelter house agreements that cars should not park in the grass. Jim mentioned that this is on the agreement form.
- V. Mande made a motion to adjourn. Mike seconded.



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Secretary



Member



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