Huntingburg Park Board Tuesday, January 19, 2016

Park Board Members Present: Mande Keusch, Jose Gil, Mark Peters

Park Board Member absent: Mike Fulkerson City Employees Present: Larry Altstadt

I. Approval of Claims: Jose made a motion to approve all claims. Mark seconded. Board approved 3-0.

- II. Approval of Minutes: Mande made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 21, 2015 board meeting. Jose seconded. Board approved 3-0.
- III. Election of Officers for 2016: The board decided to table the election until the February meeting when all members could be present.
- IV. Bombers: Mike Uebelhor thanked the board for deferring a year before increasing the % of ticket sales the Bombers will pay the Park Dept. He stated that this will give them time to get on their feet. They are just starting to break even at this point. Mike was also pleased that the lease was for another 3 years. Mike showed a drawing of a metal sign he would like to add above the scoreboard at League Stadium. It will say "Home of the Bombers and Southridge High school Baseball" as well as have a facsimile of the stadium. Mike asked the board if he could get an estimate of the cost. He would like to see if the park would purchase the sign or if the park could pay a portion of it along with the Bombers and perhaps the SHS Boosters. Mande stated that it would depend on the cost but it is likely that the park would want the teams listed on the sign to help pay a portion of the cost. Mike stated that he will likely check with Alvey Sign Co. for an estimate since Styline does not feel they would be able to do it since they do not have the equipment to hang it. Mande made a motion to approve Mike getting an estimate for the sign. Jose seconded. Mark abstained due to his affiliation with the Bombers. Board approved 2-0. Mike also stated that corporations have approached him about putting their signs on the outfield wall. Mike reported that there is room for two more signs on both the right and left field foul lines. He will require the signs to have the "vintage" look. Mande stated that she feels that "less is more" when it comes to signs but she understands that selling the signs helps them cover their costs and that it is a positive that companies want to support the Bombers. Mande made a motion to approve the addition of more signs. Mark seconded. Board approved 3-0. Director's Report:
- A. Senior Citizen's Center: Larry reported that the seniors are going on an Alaskan Cruise May 14-21.
- B. Work Projects: Larry showed pictures of the storage building at League Stadium where a concrete floor will be added. The back wall was pushed back three feet to make more room available for storage. Three feet of the side wall was removed to allow easier entry into the ballpark. Larry is using stadium funds for the project. He is hoping for the project is completed by the middle of March, before the baseball season begins.
- C. Niehaus Park Trees: Larry presented the new bid from GE Tree Service for three trees instead of 6. It only brought the bid down \$850. Larry feels that it doesn't save much to just do the three trees so he suggests getting them all cut down if the Board chooses to go with their bid. Larry is going to speak with the electric company to see if they would be able to cut them down instead. They would need to put tires across the sidewalks to protect them in case a tree were to fall on them. Larry should know by the next meeting if the electric company can do the trimming.
- D. Southside Park: Larry reviewed the bid from Cooper Rail \$4, 289.86 for to replace a culvert that has two big holes in it and is dilapidating. He suggests it is replaced with a 16' culvert instead of the existing 24'. Larry suggests going with the aluminized type instead of the galvanized so it will last longer. Larry will check to make sure the quote given includes installation. Mark made a motion to approve the bid. Jose seconded. Board approved 3-0.

- E. Mower: Larry is working on getting bids for a new mower for the City Park. He is asking for quotes that include the current mower as a trade and also ones without a trade in case the Board decides to keep the current mower for parts, if the trade in value is not enough. Larry thinks the current one has around 2,500 hours.
- F. Questions/Comments: The Annual report was included as well as the Dubois County Park and Rec Master Plan (Huntingburg's portion).
  - V. Adjournment: Jose made a motion to adjourn. Mande seconded.

Member Member

President Secretary