

Parks Board Minutes

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2023 at 5 PM MEETING PLACE: City Hall- Council Chambers

The City of Madison Parks Board held its monthly meeting this 6th day of February 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in City Hall.

Calling of roll and notice of absentees: The meeting was called to order by Board President Carla Krebs. Other Board members in attendance were David Hertz, Jake Shockley and Phil Kahn.

Also, in attendance were: Parks Director, Matt Woolard; Mayor Bob Courtney; and Park's intern Brayden Ricketts who gave the Deputy Director report.

Approval of Minutes: David made a motion to accept the minutes from the January meeting as distributed. Phil seconded the motion, all approved. Motion carried.

Claims: Phil made a motion to accept the claims as presented. Jake seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

New Business:

Election of Parks Board President and Vice President: Jake made a motion to nominate Carla as President for 2023. David seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried. Carla made a motion to nominate Phil as vice-president for 2023. David seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

Jefferson County Soccer Association Contract: Matt suggested we keep the Jefferson County Soccer contract the same for 2023.

Motion: Phil made a motion to keep the soccer contract we have with no changes. Carla seconded the motion. All approve. Motion carried.

Brown Gym Exercise Fees: Carla announced exercise and walking passes will be \$25 per year. We will not start charging the new fees until the Bethany Foundation announces fee sponsorship amount.

Motion: Carla made a motion to make the fees at the Brown Gym \$25 per year for all exercise classes and walking. Seconded by Phil. All approved. Motion carried.

Ordinances for Park Names: Matt read Resolution 1p renaming the Crystal Beach Pool House second floor event space to the Frank Baldwin Hunter Hall. Secondly, rename the pool to the Crystal Beach Aquatic Center.

Motion: David made a motion to accept the resolution as presented. Phil seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

Matt also read the second Resolution 2p to rename the City of Madison campground, Riverview Campground.



Motion: Jake made a motion to accept the resolution as presented. Seconded by Phil. All approved. Motion carried.

Matt also presented the gateway enhancement to the pool. This will include a new basketball court, benches, signage and landscaping.

Deputy Director's Report: Chad Ison has accepted a new position with NCAA. We thank him for all his hard work and wish him well in his new pursuit. Brayden presented his report. We have booked travel baseball tournaments with Future Starts of Sports this year at Rucker Complex. Our partnership with the VanWye basketball league has finished for the season. Mayor Courtney mentioned that Mr. VanWye was recently awarded the Golden Shamrock. Youth programs for 2023 are live on Recdesk. Pickle ball evening sessions have begun at the Brown gym on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7-9pm. Tuesday, January 24th, we held a Fraud Prevention seminar in City Hall. This valuable information was presented to 25 citizens by the Indiana Attorney General's office.

Director's Report: Matt announced our city campground revenue is up 18% from 2022. He recommends our next investment to be clearing out the hillside to the east of the campground to include additional campsites and create sustainable parking without losing any revenue producing sites. Roger Gallatin, Golf Pro is getting ready for the new season. The Golf course opens on February 15th. Playground equipment, basketball goals, bike racks, benches and trash cans have all been delivered for Oakhill Park. The project is on track to be completed Memorial Day Weekend 2023. We have received quotes for the Gaines Park Renovation. Items include: new basketball court, a refurbished shelter house to match the new Oakhill shelter house, 8ft sidewalk down the middle, new fencing, including a gate and historic signage, stage for community gatherings, new playground equipment.

We have received a donation from Marci Jones, representing the "Cookie Caper' of over \$4,000 to install shade sails at Hargan Matthews Park. Matt is working with Game Time to design a shade structure that fits the design and doesn't deteriorate the grass.

We also received \$3,500 in donations in memory of Burch Johnson for Rucker sport's complex. We are very thankful to the family for listing us as a donor.

Public comment: Mary Ann Eaglin questioned the breakdown of spending for the new Crystal Beach Aquatic Center. Mayor Courtney addressed her concerns. Jan Vetrus questioned advertising about community band events.

Next meeting: Monday, March 6, 2023, at 5 PM

Adjourn: Jake made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Phil. All Approved. Motion carried.

Attested:

Parks Board President/Vice President