

The **Parks and Recreation Board** met Monday, July 19, 2010, 4:30pm, at City Hall, Council Chambers.

Present at said meeting were Karen Springer, Patrick Flannelly, John MacDonald, Richard Shockley and Attorney Andy Gutwein. Joe Payne, Pennie Ainsworth, Chris Foley, Lee Booth, Brenda Lorenz, Cheryl Kolb and Dan Dunten represented the department. Present from the City was Council President Ann Hunt, Gerald Thomas and Vicki Burch. Absent from the meeting were Board member Mary Nauman and Council member Gerry Keen.

Karen convened the Board at 4:33 pm.

Karen extended a thank you to the staff once again for the nice luncheon provided today.

The first item of the agenda was the approval of the minutes from the June 21, 2010 meeting. Karen noted a correction was needed to show Richard Shockley as absent from the meeting. Pending the correction, John motioned to approve the minutes. Karen seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Superintendent – Joe reported on the following:

- Noted the Council Report was included in the mailing.
- Offered a thank you to all of our lunch sponsors for the Annual Park Board Luncheon, noting the list of sponsors would reflect in the minutes.

Thank You Lunch Sponsors

**J.L. Anderson Heating & Cooling
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Lester Recreation Designs
MBAH Insurance
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The Schneider Corporation
Straight Lines, Inc.**

Assistant Superintendent – Pennie reported on the following:

- Distributed a to-date, attendance comparison report with 2010 and 2009 figures for the West Lafayette Municipal Pool.
- The Men's softball tournament will start tonight. Arni's won the Men's League. The Coed softball tournament will start on July 26. This week is position week, to decide tournament brackets.
- Reported the Mayor has raised \$17,575.00 to date for Global Fest. The next Global Fest meeting will be August 13. Global Fest will be held Saturday, September 4.

Parks – Lee reported on the following:

- Helped with Riverfest and Dancing in the Streets
- Installed amenities around the high school track
- Replaced two booster pumps at the pool
- Grounds maintenance and mechanical repairs
- As of Saturday, lots of tree and limb removal
- Rink Specialists at rink today

Recreation Report – Chris reported on the following:

- The pool was down yesterday due to loss of power (electricity). Power was restored by the start of the evening session.
- The last session of swim lessons is underway, with many children participating and benefiting in swim lessons this year.
- The last summer sports camp, Football Skills Camp, began today. There are fifty-seven children enrolled in the camp, with the reigning State Champion football high school players assisting with the camp.

Morton Center – Brenda reported on the following:

- Will be working the "Coalition for Living Well after 50" booth at the Tippecanoe County Fair promoting the upcoming walking campaign and the Just Walk for Health of It event that will be held Oct. 17. The City of Lafayette and the West Lafayette Parks & Recreation department are members of the Coalition.
- Will be attending Alcoa's all day Health Fair for the first time on August 4. Looking forward to seeing how many visitors our booth will attract.
- Will be attending Purdue's Graduate Student Fair on August 20. The fair is for a short period, but attracts many. There are always a great number of students that stop by to inquire about our programs and the City's trail system.
- Instructors have submitted proposals for the fall classes, with proposals of new offerings of line dancing, hula dancing and zumba classes. We are collecting information for the fall brochure preparation.

Old Business

Budget Discussion

Joe introduced Jim Treat, a Partner with O. W. Krohn & Associates, LLP. Joe noted that Jim has worked with the City for a number of years in providing financial advice and analysis for the Clerk-Treasurer, the Redevelopment Commission, and the Wastewater Treatment Utility. Mr. Treat discussed the enclosed Park Rev-Exp 2006-2010 report with the Board members.

New Business

Caterpillar Request for Tapawingo Park

Doug Cooper from Sgt. Preston's Outpost Catering presented a request, as the hired caterer, for use of Tapawingo Park, which would allow his employer, Caterpillar, to host a private party for themselves and one of their main suppliers, ABB. Questions and discussion followed pertaining to the use and control of alcohol, erection of a tent, restroom facility provisions, fees for use of the facility(s), etc. The consensus of the board was to charge a fee similar to those already in place for shelter reservations. Joe noted he would review the facility agreement for Tapawingo Park and/or the Riverside Skating Center, and he would be able to report to the board at the August meeting, the final details for the event, which will take place a few days following the meeting. With these items addressed, Richard motioned approval of the request for Caterpillar and Sgt. Preston's Outpost Catering to host a private party, allowing the group to set-up a tent for their event, with beer and wine, served and monitored by Sgt. Preston's Outpost Catering, at Tapawingo Park on Thursday, August 19, 5:00-10:00pm; a \$100.00 fee would be charged for use of Tapawingo Park. Patrick seconded the motion and the motion carried.

West Lafayette School Board – Karen reported the following:

- The School Board interviewed four candidates to fill the remaining two years of David Grenat's term and selected Brian Bittner.
- Board Officers for the 2010-2011 school year are:
 - President, Alan Karpick
 - Vice-President, Karen Springer
 - Secretary, Dottie Rausch
- The new Happy Hollow School Principal will be Margaret Xiofaridou. She will begin August 2. She is a graduate of West Lafayette schools and Purdue University. She is returning to West Lafayette from Twin Lakes School Corporation where she served as principal for Meadowlawn Elementary School for the past three years.
- The realignment and elimination of a position in the Business Office has allowed for the creation of a Part-Time Director of Pupil Services. Three candidates applied for the position and Dr. Sally Downham Miller was selected.
- On Wednesday, August 11, there will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony for completion of the new addition to Happy Hollow Elementary School, plus a Recognition Reception for the 2009-2010 West Lafayette School Corporation retirees. The event starts at 6:30pm in the new Happy Hollow LGI (Large Group Instruction) room. All are invited.

Wabash River

Richard did not have anything to report due to his military absence. Joe reported the Wabash Heritage Trail Extension, Phase I, work will be underway soon and completed in summer 2011.

Other

Tapawingo Park Request

Joe reported he has received a request for use of Tapawingo Park for a musical event to benefit the National Wildlife Federation on Saturday, August 7, from 1:00-7:00pm. Following the event at Tapawingo Park, the event will continue and move to Puccini's and

The Muse from 8:00pm-12:00am. Discussion followed pertaining to other offerings during the event, such as possible alcohol sales. Joe noted that if such a request arises, sales need to be outside of the park and the request is not for alcohol to be carried into the park. He noted a beer garden possibility would have to be worked out within West Lafayette Police Department. Richard motioned to approve the request for the group to use Tapawingo Park as presented. John seconded the motion and the motion carried.

West Lafayette Girls Soccer Program Request

Joe reported he has received a request from the West Lafayette Girls Soccer Program wanting to sponsor a car wash at Cumberland Park on July 24, 10:00am-2:00pm. The group is requesting use of our spigot (hoses will provided by the parents of the girls) on the restroom building for their carwash. Patrick motioned to approve the request from the West Lafayette Girls Soccer Program as presented. Richard seconded the motion and the motion carried.

West Lafayette Public Library

The West Lafayette Public Library has extended a thank you to the Parks & Recreation department for our continued support and donation of swimming passes for their summer reading program.

Chris reported West Lafayette has retained victory status for the River Fest Annual Canoe Race, noting that our young and vibrant pool personnel, once again, primarily staffed our boat.

Pay Claims

Patrick motioned for claims to be paid. Richard seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Karen noted the next Park Board meeting will be August 16, 4:30pm, at City Hall.

Adjourn

Richard motioned to adjourn the meeting. John seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 5:48 pm.

Presiding Officer

Secretary