

City of North Vernon
Parks and Recreation Park Board
Meeting Minutes
November 22, 2022

Members Present: Bob Ertel, Daymond Craddock, David Fox and Denny Hatton

Guest: Chad Speer

The November 22, 2022 City of North Vernon Park Board Meeting was called to order by Park Board President Bob Ertel.

A motion to approve the previous Park Board Meeting Minutes was made by Denny Hatton and seconded by David Fox. Motion to approve the previous meeting minutes carried 4-0.

Bob Ertel presented to the Park Board updated City Park amenity improvements.

First amenity was the proposed construction of new pickleball courts located in the area of the City Pool site. Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the country. The plan calls for four courts to be constructed allowing room for soccer to still be played.

Second item discussed was the resurfacing of the tennis court along the idea of making the courts multipurpose, to allow four additional pickleball courts to be installed if and when needed for tournaments and or league. The multipurpose of the surface would include both lines for tennis and pickleball along with the option to convert surface from tennis to pickleball and visa versa.

Next item was the 5 and under playground area that is nearing the end of its lifespan. Proposal calls for the removal of current equipment and new constructed equipment be installed along with the recent installation of equipment. Discussion of location of equipment in regards to pros and cons of current location versus new location was discussed. Park agreed that equipment should be in one location to help people keep an eye on those with multiple aged children.

The Park Board moved on to the discussion of a new restroom replacing the old concession stand restroom. New construction along with relocation from the current location is being proposed. The newly constructed restroom would move from the current location to the area located beyond right center field of Castetter Field. The new location will allow to better serve the newly constructed soccer fields with the option in the future of removing the restroom located between FDR and Jordyn Vance Fields.

Two proposed improvements to help with the need for parking and flow of traffic will be made. One location will be the road and parking to the south of Shelter House #2 or commonly referred to as the Farmer's Market. The road/parking area will be increase in width towards the north to allow for angle parking along with angle parking in the middle. Improvements will also improve traffic flow allowing for vehicles the ability to circle back out. Currently vehicles have to back out or try to preform a 10 point turn around.

Second proposed improvement to parking and traffic flow will be constructed in the area of the current pickleball courts and the newly constructed soccer fields. Plan will call for a new parking lot to be

constructed in the grassy ditch area to the north and east of current pickleball courts. The construction will use current lot and road to incorporate and reconfigure and routing traffic in an effort to reduce and stop the entrances from North State and the western most FDR Drive entrance being used as cut throughs. The parking and rerouting of traffic flow will use a one-way parking lot that will reduce benefit of cutting through City Park.

Plan also calls for upgrades to basketball courts.

Park Board agreed to keep moving forward with the plan as currently proposed. Once more data and numbers have been compiled a presentation will be made to the City Council.

In other business restroom have been winterized for the season. Dirt work and additional tile work was done along new playground along with additional tile work being installed in soccer fields. 13 trees have been replaced at Tripton Park.

Claims signed.

A motion to adjourn was made by David Fox at 7:30, motion seconded by Denny Hatton. Meeting adjourned 4-0.

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Agenda

December 13, 2022

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- III. Approval of previous meeting minutes
- IV. Rec Non-Reverting Numbers – 2023 Reg. Fees
- V. 2022 Pool Numbers
- VI. Additional City Park Plan Updates
- VII. Other business
- VIII. Adjournment