

City of North Vernon Parks and Recreation Department

July 26, 2022

Park Board Minutes

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

Guest: Chad Speer, Bill Ludwig and Tara Kelley

The July 26, 2022 City of North Vernon Parks and Recreation Department Park Board Meeting was called to order by Park Board President Bob Ertel at 6:00 p.m.

A motion to approve the previous City of North Vernon Parks and Recreation Department Park Board meeting minutes was made by Denny Hatton and seconded by David Fox. Motion to approve the previous minutes carried 4-0.

Bill Ludwig and Tara Kelley, representing Kiwanis were in attendance to talk to the Park Board about the location of the Learning Trail at Tripton Park. The learning Trail was originally located at the City Park and was taken down due to construction of the City Pool and Splash Pad. The two had been to a previous Park Board Meeting to discuss and were told to come back with more specific location. The proposed site of the Learning Trail will be around the playground area. The Kiwanis will be responsible for maintaining the signs and paint on the concrete that goes with each station. The Parks Department will purchase powder coat post to match the current post at Tripton and install the signs. The hope is to have the project completed by Labor Day. A motion was made by Denny Hatton to allow the Kiwanis Club to relocate the Learning Trail to Tripton Park. The motion was seconded by David Fox. Motion carried 4-0.

The City of North Vernon Parks and Recreation Park Board was given drafts for the Pool, Recreation and Non-Reverting 2023 budgets (see attachments). Board Members were asked to review and come back to the next meeting with questions, changes and additions, especially in projects.

The Concession contract with Karl Knight and Nick Megal will end at the end of 2022. The Park Board agreed to request proposals for operation of the concession. This does not include the Pool Concession. The Department is to advertise in the local paper under the legal section for the next three weeks. Items the Board asked the proposals include are: fixed income amount per year, open during events such as league games, (baseball, softball, and soccer) and tournaments, establish hours, provide proof of insurance, must provide own equipment, two references, and the contract will be for three years. Timeline will be as follows: July 26 agree to seek RFP; August 23 RFP due to Park Board – open and review at meeting; September 13 – meet and question potential vendor(s); September 27 – continue to negotiate and or award.

In other business the pool is scheduled to close August, 8. Splash Pad will remain open.

Claims signed and approved.

A motion to adjourn was made by Denny Hatton at 7:45 and seconded by Davide Fox. Motion to adjourn carried 4-0.