

**THE RENSSELAER COMMUNITY RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION MEETING**

THE RENSSELAER COMMUNITY RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION MEETING WAS HELD ON MONDAY MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup> 2023 AT THE IROQUOIS PARK HEADQUARTERS AT 212 N. COLLEGE AVE. RENSSELAER, INDIANA. PRESIDENT MICHAEL MANIS CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:10 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup> 2023 MEETING ARE AS FOLLOWS: PRESIDENT MICHAEL MANIS, RICK WILLIAMS, JENNY BOGET, JANICE DENO, STACE PICKERING, SUE WING, & GLEN ALLIE.

OTHERS PRESENT AT THE MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup> 2023 MEETING WAS: FRIEDA BRETZINGER, PAT FOX, LINDA SHIDE, JAKE ZAGER, ROBERT SCHENK, CRAIG DAVIDSON, HEATHER HALL, and SUPERINTENDENT JOSEPH G. EFFINGER.

MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 10<sup>TH</sup> 2023 MEETING WERE PRESENTED AND A MOTION WAS MADE BY JANICE DENO AND SECONDED BY SUE WING TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.

THE TREASURERS REPORT WAS PRESENTED. THE AMOUNT ON HAND IS AS FOLLOWS:

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| MEMORIAL T-ACCOUNT                   | \$ 8,319.22        |
| LARUE POOL T-ACCOUNT                 | \$ 1,449.74        |
| BASEBALL/SOFTBALL T-ACCOUNT          | \$ 1,469.46        |
| SKATE PARK T-ACCOUNT                 | \$ 100.00          |
| NEW AQUATICS T-ACCOUNT               | \$ 7,996.54        |
| NEW SHELTER                          | \$ 0.00            |
| DOG PARK T-ACCOUNT                   | \$ 1,988.50        |
| WATER AEROBICS/SWIM PROGRAM          | \$ 0.00            |
| THOMAS EFFINGER MEMORIAL T – ACCOUNT | \$ 0.00            |
| PARK & LEASURE T – ACCOUNT           | \$ 646.40          |
| BLACKER FIELDS                       | \$ 2,335.00        |
| NEW PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE                | <u>\$ 1,923.00</u> |
| TOTAL                                | \$26,227.86        |

CONCESSIONS ACCOUNT \$ 7,424.62

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RICK WILLIAMS AND SECONDED BY JANICE DENO TO ACCEPT THE TREASURERS REPORT. MOTION CARRIED.

PAT FOX CAME TO THE PARK CORPORATION MEETING TO ASK PERMISSION TO USE POTAWATOMI PARK FOR THE 2023 LITTLE COUSIN JASPER FESTIVAL ON SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 9<sup>TH</sup> & 10<sup>TH</sup>. PAT TOLD CORPORATION MEMBERS, THE BRICK STREETS AROUND THE COURTHOUSE WILL BE REMOVED AND UPDATED / REPLACED THIS YEAR AND THE PROJECT WILL NOT BE FINISHED BEFORE THE WEEKEND OF THE FESTIVAL. WITH THE CONSTRUCTION GOING ON, THE LITTLE COUSIN JASPER COMMITTEE WAS TOLD THEY COULD NOT USE THIS AREA FOR THE FESTIVAL. A DISCUSSION FOLLOWED.

AFTER THE DISCUSSION, JENNY BOGET MADE A MOTION AND SECONDED BY SUE WING TO ALLOW THE LITTLE COUSIN JASPER FESTIVAL TO BE HELD AT POTAWATOMI ON SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 9<sup>TH</sup>, & 10<sup>TH</sup> 2023. MOTION CARRIED.

JAKE ZAGER WITH THE ADVANCED YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE CAME TO THE PARK CORPORATION MEETING TO ASK PERMISSION FOR USE OF THE FOUNDATION PARK AND BROOKSIDE PARK SOCCER FIELDS FOR PRACTICES & GAMES. JAKE TOLD CORPORATION MEMBERS, THERE ARE 6 TRAVEL TEAMS FOR THE SPRING LEAGUE AND THERE WAS OVER 200 CHILDREN PLAYING SOCCER IN 2022. JAKE TOLD CORPORATION MEMBERS THE FIRST GAMES WILL BE APRIL 14 – 15<sup>TH</sup> AND THE SPRING SESSION WILL END AT THE END OF MAY. JAKE DISCUSSED WITH CORPORATION MEMBERS ABOUT ACCESSABILITY OF AN AED MACHINE, ABOUT GETTING A FEW AREAS ROLLED AND ABOUT HOW HIGH THEY WOULD LIKE THE GRASS MOWED. A DISCUSSION FOLLOWED.

AFTER THE DISCUSSION, RICK WILLIAMS MADE A MOTION AND GLEN ALLIE SECONDED THE MOTION TO ALLOW THE SOCCER PROGRAM TO USE THE BROOKSIDE PARK SOCCER FIELD AND THE FOUNDATION PARK SOCCER FIELDS. MOTION CARRIED.

MICHAEL MANIS DISCUSSED WITH PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS ABOUT THE PASSING OF MICHELLE EFFINGER AND POSSIABILITY OF SOME WAY TO HONOR HER. SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGER TOLD PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS HE HAS ALREADY ORDERED A BENCH HE WOULD LIKE TO PLACE SOMEWHERE IN OUR PARKS TO HONOR HIS WIFE MICHELLE. A DISCUSSION FOLLOWED.

SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGER PRESENTED CORPORATION MEMBERS WITH A LETTER FROM DON GOBBIE ASKING PERMISSION TO HOST A FREE TENNIS CLINIC SOMETIME IN MAY SINCE MAY IS NATIONAL TENNIS MONTH. A BRIEF DISCUSSION FOLLOWED.

AFTER THE DISCUSSION, PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS WERE OK WITH MR. GOBBIE HOSTING THE FREE TENNIS CLINIC.

SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGER PRESENTED CORPORATION MEMBERS WITH A LETTER FROM ST. AUGUSTINE SCHOOL ASKING FOR DONATIONS FOR THEIR ANNUAL SPRING FUNDRAISING EVENT. SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGER TOLD PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS, WE HAVE DONATED 2 FAMILY SEASON POOL PASSES TO ST. AUGUSTINE FOR THIS EVENT FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS AND IT WAS UP TO THE MEMBERS IF THEY WOULD LIKE TO DO IT THIS YEAR. A BRIEF DISCUSSION FOLLOWED.

AFTER THE DISCUSSION, GLEN ALLIE MADE A MOTION AND RICK WILLIAMS SECONDED THE MOTION TO DONATE 2 SEASON FAMILY POOL PASSES TO ST. AUGUSTINE SCHOOL FOR THEIR ANNUAL FUNDRAISER. MOTION CARRIED.

HEATHER HALL CAME TO THE PARK CORPORATION MEETING TO PRESENT THE PARK & LEISURE PROGRAMS FOR THE 2023 SEASON. HEATHER WENT THROUGH THE PROGRAMS WITH MEMBERS, WENT THROUGH THE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE THAT WENT THROUGH THE 2022 PARK & LEISURE PROGRAMS, DISCUSSED THE HYPER CENTER PROGRAMS. HEATHER TOLD PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS SHE IS LOOKING TO TRY TO HAVE MORE FREE EVENTS IN THE PARKS. GLEN ALLIE ASKED IF DEDICATING \$3,500.00 FROM THE PARK CORPORATION WOULD HELP. HEATHER TOLD MEMBERS THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL. A DISCUSSION FOLLOWED.

AFTER THE DISCUSSION, GLEN ALLIE MADE A MOTION AND SUE WING SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE HEATHERS PARK & LEISURE PROGRAMS FOR THE 2023 SEASON & TO GIVE HER A BUDGET OF \$3,500.00 TO HELP WITH PROGRAMS. MOTION CARRIED.

STACE PICKERING BROUGHT UP THE IDEA OF LOOKING INTO HAVING THE PARK & LEISURE DIRECTOR AND THE POOL DIRECTOR TO COMBINE THE TWO POSITIONS INTO ONE POSITION. A LENGTHY DISCUSSION FOLLOWED.

AFTER THE DISCUSSION, GLEN ALLIE MADE A MOTION AND SUE WING SECONDED THE MOTION TO SET UP A SUBCOMMITTEE TO LOOK INTO COMBINING THE PARK & LEISURE DIRECTOR AND THE POOL DIRECTOR INTO ONE POSITION. MOTION CARRIED. THE COMMITTEE WILL BE GLEN ALLIE, STACE PICKERING, SUE WING & SUPERINTENDENT JOE EFFINGER.

STACE PICKERING ASKED SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGER ABOUT GETTING A FLAG FOR BLACKER FIELD FLAG POLE. SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGER TOLD MEMBERS IT WOULD BE PLACED ON THE FLAG POLE IN THE SPRING. STACE PRESENTED THE PARK CORPORATION WITH THE SIGNED LEASE FROM THE RENSSELAER BASEBALL INC. FOR THE PARK BOARD PRESIDENT TO SIGN FOR THE USE OF STADDON FIELD & STACE ASKED IF SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGERS CREW COULD REHANG THE WIND SCREEN AND INSTALL THE RENSSELAER BASEBALL INC. SPONSOR SIGNS. SUPERINTENDENT TOLD STACE IT WOULD BE TAKEN CARE OF.

SUE WING ASKED SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGER IF HIS CREW COULD DRIVE DOWN THE STAKES AROUND THE COLUMBIA PARK'S PLAYGROUND AREA AND THE PARKING AREA. SUPERINTENDENT EFFINGER TOLD SUE IT WOULD BE TAKEN CARE OF SOON.

PRESEIDENT MICHAEL MANIS TOLD PARK CORPORATION MEMBERS, THE NEXT PARK CORPORATION MEETING WOULD BE HELD ON MONDAY APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup> 2023 AT 6:00 PM.

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BY  
JOSEPH G. EFFINGER  
SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS

#### THE RENSSELAER PARK BOARD MEETING

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THE REST OF THE MEETING WAS HANDLED IN THE RENSSELAER COMMUNITY RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION MEETING.

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