Meeting of the Rensselaer Community Recreational Development Corporation held on Monday, 4 November 2024

The Rensselaer Community Recreational Development Corporation monthly Meeting was held on Monday 4 November 2024 at Six o'clock pm (6 pm) at the Rensselaer City Hall Council Chambers located at 124 South Van Rensselaer Street, Rensselaer, Indiana; the same being duly advertised/notice of meeting previously.

President Michael L. Manis called the meeting to order with the following members being present: Glen Allie, Janice Deno, Sue Wing, Jeff Rayburn, and Michael L. Manis; Stace Pickering, Jennifer Boget and Rick Williams (illness), member, were not present. Five RCRDC members being in attendance, a quorum was achieved for the meeting. Mayor Jeffrey S. Phillips, and Heather Hall, Superintendent of Rensselaer Parks were also in attendance.

The Rensselaer Community Recreational Development Corporation unanimously approved Minutes from its 7 October 2024 meeting.

A discussion about T-accounts, restricted/unrestricted accounts and overall asset levels was held.

Further, the Board heard a request and reviewed a bid for mural expansion for the poolside face of the LaRue Poolhouse at Brookside Park. The Board voted unanimously to approve the sum of \$6,500.00 in support of the project, with the aim of completion prior to month's end.

The Board considered a billing statement from Brown's Garden Shop concerning Blacker and Foundation Park Fields Treatment Plan as presented by Supt. Hall. Upon her request, the Board tabled the billing until Hall could receive additional information about the status of the lawn treatments.

A discussion concerning a fee schedule for the usage of Filson Park and Potawatomi Park occurred. The Board chose not to establish any formal fee schedule but would encourage donations to occur in support of the parks through scheduling of events through Supt. Hall.

Supt. Hall spoke about behavioral problems that were reported to her by the soccer league, who leases various fields at Foundation Park. Due to the increasing likelihood that such problems would impact Park programs in the future, the Board suggested that Supt. Hall explore policies from other communities and seek an increased police presence at such events.

Pres. Manis provided drafts of 2025 contracts for Supt Hall's use for the lease of baseball and softball fields for the upcoming year. Supt Hall and Stace Pickering will explore tournament and league opportunities.

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for Monday, 2 December 2024 at 6 pm with the caveat that Supt. Hall may inform the Board that such a meeting would not be needed (the Board traditionally does not meet in December due to the holidays but a date was reserved due to the new changes to the Parks.)

The meeting was subsequently adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael L. Manis President, Rensselaer Community Recreational Development Corporation