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REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Johnson County Park Board of Directors
Johnson County Park Department
Thursday, March 1st, 2018

The regular meeting of the Johnson County Park Board was opened at 6:00 p.m. by Park Board President Jeremy Fisk. Tim Edsell, Suzanne Findley and Dale Donahue were in attendance. Park Board attorney, park staff and audience in attendance: Roger Young, Park Board attorney; Megan Bowman, Superintendent; Kevin Leonard, Assistant Superintendent; Kevin Thompson; Johnson County Soil & Water, Dan Goins; Indiana Live Steamers, Amber Berninger; Playworld Midstate, Tracy Spencer; Heartland Region Pony Club, and Rachel Skirvin; Heartland Region Pony Club.

Roll call was taken of those in attendance.

Tim Edsell moved and Dale Donahue seconded that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried.

Tim Edsell moved and Dale Donahue seconded that the February 1st, 2018 minutes be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Suzanne Findley moved and Tim Edsell seconded to approve the March claims of \$77,545.77. Motion carried.

Roger Young's Legal Report:

- Roger informed the Board that Cell-U-Site decided to back out of the potential lease. Roger informs the Board that the Park had not been paid for the 2017 Octoberfest show. The amount due is \$3,935.84. Roger asks for the authority to send a demand letter for the payment due by April 4th; if the payment is not received by that date then the Board would schedule an Executive Session at 5:30 on April 5th. There is discussion regarding the Octoberfest situation. **Suzanne Findley moved and Tim Edsell seconded that Roger has the authority to send a demand letter for monies owed from the Octoberfest 2017 show. Motion Carried.**

Planning Report:

- Planning Committee recently met to look over the 3 Playground designs for Independence Park. The Planning Committee chose the playground design from Playworld Midstates. Amber Berninger from Playworld Midstates presents the playground design for Independence Park. There is discussion between Amber, the Board, and Staff regarding the design, the playground components, playground surfacing, the budget of the project, and fundraising the project. The Park will partner with Atterbury Job Corps to perform some of the land work. The quote from Playworld is good through December and everything is included in the quote except for demolition of existing equipment, any site work, and a dumpster. **Suzanne Findley moved and Tim Edsell seconded to accept the plan from Playworld Midstates and give Megan permission to fundraise the project by seeking grants and any private funding. Motion carried. Suzanne Findley moved and Tim Edsell seconded that Megan can reopen the Independence Park fund from the Johnson County Community Foundation to hold funds for the project. Motion carried.**

Megan Bowman's Superintendent Report:

- The State Fair contacted Megan about reapplying for the grant for the race track. The design remains unfunded and the Park has lost the sponsor (Centaur) for the track. Board agrees to wait and not apply for the grant at this time.
- Megan presents a letter of agreement to use Ramsey Pyrotechnics for Sparks in the Park. The total cost is \$10,000, \$3,000 deposit is required and remaining \$7,000 is paid after the event. **Suzanne Findley moved and Dale Donahue seconded to sign the letter of agreement with Ramsey Pyrotechnics for June 29th or September 8th. Motion carried.**
- Megan attended a Women in Leadership Event at Franklin College.



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- We have received our new trucks and will put our logo on the trucks.
- We have received our new mowers, tractor, and pull behind mower.
The new epoxy floor in the shower house is complete. The new floor does include glow in the dark chips.
- Our maintenance staff has also extended the doors on all of the bathroom stalls.

Kevin Leonard's Assistant Superintendent Report:

- Kevin informs the Board that the Park has finally received the finalized insurance requirements for Hoosier Horse Park. General Aggregate and Products line items lowered from \$2 million to \$1 million. Auto Liability and Workers Comp is only required if an organization owns/rent automobiles or has employees.
- Kevin informs the Board about a project that Kate Gress is proposing for her show in May. The project is to place lime across North Street so horses can cross and to remove a portion of the fence to make a 16' opening. Kate does not need the road permanently closed, but it may be required. Kate agreed to fix the fence and clean the road within four days after the conclusion of the show. We are willing to work with her on this project but will make sure it is done the right way. **Suzanne Findley and Tim Edsell seconded that Kate Gress can move forward with her project as long as proper channels are met within the county. Motion carried.**

President's Report

- No report.

From the Floor and More:

- Dan Goins asks what the status of the covered bridge by Job Corps is. Megan informs him that they plan to start rebuilding it this month. Dan also says the Live Steamers put glow in the dark grout in their bathrooms.
- Rachel Skirvin and Tracy Spencer from Heartland Region Pony Club make a presentation to the Board regarding their camp. They plan to have their C and D levels at the camp this year. Their camp is focused on education and teaching each other. In 2017 they only had a D camp and their total expenses were \$4,407.93 which includes park rental, instructors, food, and crafts. The camp paid \$2,000 for the rental fee in 2017. For 2018 they propose to pay \$2,500 for the rental fee. Bedding and camping is not included in the \$2,500 proposal. The camp is willing to set up a service project with the Park during their camp. **Tim Edsell moved and Suzanne Findley seconded to accept the proposed \$2,500 rental fee plus bedding and camping for the Heartland Region camp as long as some type of service project is done in return. The rental fee is subject to annual approval. Motion carried.**

Suzanne Findley moved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:25 p.m. Dale Donahue seconded. Motion carried.

James A. Kirkham, Secretary