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REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Johnson County Park Board of Directors
Johnson County Park Department
Thursday, October 4th, 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, Jim Kirkham, Michael List and Roger Young were also in attendance. Park staff and audience in attendance: Kevin Leonard, Assistant Superintendent; Bob Morrison, Columbus Model Railroad Club; Dan Goins, Indiana Live Steamers; and Bill Hart. **Roll call was taken of those in attendance.**

Tim Edsell moved and Jim Kirkham seconded that the agenda be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

Jim Kirkham moved and Tim Edsell seconded that the September 6th, 2018 minutes be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Claims for October were presented for approval. **Jim Kirkham moved and Tim Edsell seconded to approve the October claims, as presented for \$27,335.33. Motion carried.**

Roger Young's Legal Report:

- The amendment to the SBA Lease for the Cell Tower has been approved by the Commissioners and JC SWCD. Once we obtain all of the signatures from both parties then the new Cell Tower Lease will go in to affect.
- The proposal from the JC Recycling District has been sent off to National Parks Service and we are waiting for a response from NPS.

Planning Report:

- The meeting with Jeff Mader from Mader Design and Dan Lawson from Mayer-Najem went well. Jeff and Dan can help the Park with different methods on getting major projects completed. The Board is open to having Jeff and Dan make a presentation at a Board Meeting.

Megan Bowman's Superintendent Report (Given by Asst. Superintendent, Kevin Leonard):

- Please find the attached document for the Superintendent's report.
- Megan asks for permission to exceed the \$2,500 limit on purchases without Board approval for the end of the year purchases/projects. **Jim Kirkham moved to increase the limit to \$3,500 for end of the year purchases/projects. Tim Edsell seconded. Motion carried.**
- **Tim Edsell moved to trade in the old golf carts for 2 new work carts, as long as, the credit is a check back to the park or an even trade is made. Jim Kirkham seconded. Motion carried.**
- **Tim Edsell moved for Megan to spend up to \$5,000 for tree removal with Browns Tree Service. Michael List seconded. Motion carried.**
- Discussion on adding Heat/AC to restrooms by Baker Arena. Having Heat/AC will help keep the new floor in good shape and will prevent us from having to blow out the water lines in the winter. If Baker ever gets fully enclosed the restrooms will definitely need to be heated. **Jim Kirkham moved to use C&S Heating and Cooling to add Heat/AC to Baker restrooms. Tim Edsell seconded. Motion carried.**

Kevin Leonard's Assistant Superintendent Report:

- Camp-O-Ween will take place on October 20th. The event is for registered campers only. We will have a few activities from Big Bounce Fun House. We will also have a pumpkin decorating contest, costume contest, and campsite contest. The Park will publicize that Indiana Live Steamers and Columbus Model Railroad will also be running on the 20th.



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- Carni-Fall will take place on October 27th. The event is a partnership with Johnson County Public Library. JCPL will put a new book in the story walk. We will also have trick or treating along the story walk and activities/crafts for the kids to do.
- Brad has been working with Job Corps and hopefully they will be able to put in our new basketball court.
- Kevin presents the budget for the Dressage Expansion project. The total cost for the project will be \$25,000. Kevin requests to go to the County Council Meeting to get \$25,000 appropriated from our Gift Fund so we can proceed with the project. IDS have informed us they could donate \$8,000 to the project and Harmony in the Park could donate \$5,000. Traders Point Hunt donated \$1,000 to the Horse Park that we can use towards this project. If we receive the donations from Harmony in the Park and IDS then we can replenish the Gift Fund. **Jim Kirkham moved and Michael List seconded for Kevin to go to the County Council Meeting to get \$25,000 appropriated from the Gift Fund. Motion carried.**
- Heartnut Festival Update – We pulled 1 ad from Daily Journal, so that saved money. The deposit for Big Bounce Fun House was credited to us and we can use that for a deposit for Camp-O-Ween. Since the golf carts were not delivered, we did not have to pay for those. We also did not have to pay for the security officers for the weekend. We did not have to pay for the dog show as well. The Park was able to save some money since we called it early enough. Any vendor that paid for the festival in 2018 will have their fee credited towards the festival in 2019 if they choose to return.

President's Report

- Nothing to report.

From the Floor and More:

- Bob Morrison states that the Columbus Model Railroad Club had about 250 people come to their swap meet/open house on September 8th. They still had plenty of business despite Heartnut being canceled.
- Dan Goins stated that the Indiana Live Steamers had 220 riders on September 15th. Dan asks if the Park can help promote their final run on October 20th since we will be having Camp-O-Ween the same day.
- Jim Kirkham asks about the dump truck by the Cross Country Course. If the work on the course is completed then the truck should be removed.
- Jim Kirkham discusses the rust on A Barn. All of the barn roofs need to be replaced at some point.
- Jim Kirkham discusses the increased participation for The National Drive event. The event will have a lot of things going on while they are here.
- Jim Kirkham informs the Board that during Octoberfest the Indiana Horse Council Foundation will be conducting a Horse Poop Bingo to help raise money.

Jim Kirkham moved that the meeting be adjourned at 6:45p.m. Tim Edsell seconded. Motion carried.

James A. Kirkham, Secretary