

Monday, January 27, 2025 meeting minutes

The Connersville Parks and Recreation board met in the council chambers of City Hall on Monday, January 27, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

President Amy Hammons presided with board members, Angie McMullen, Ann Kirschner, Julie Fisher present. Park Superintendent Marla Steele, Park Assistant Superintendent Grace Williams were also present.

Board member Ann Kirschner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Superintendent, Marla Steele completed the roll call.

There were no additions or corrections to the December minutes. Board member Ann Kirschner made a motion to accept December minutes, and board member Angie McMullen seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Park Superintendent Marla Steele gave the Park Superintendent monthly report. We are currently taking applications for lifeguards, concession workers, summer discovery and summer grounds crew. Logan is always looking for help with sports concessions as well.

We are currently getting quotes on projects at the Miller Building. Vanities and sinks have already been ordered, our maintenance guys will be installing them. We are looking to replace the exterior doors at the Miller Building. Hill-Fi will be installing cameras around the park. Weather permitting they will soon be installed at the bridge, the tennis/pickleball courts, playgrounds/skate park and swimming pool and second street park.

2025 funding proposals have been submitted to the Reid Community Benefit for programming at the Park. We received funding in 2024, they are reviewing our request for 2025 and will be making a decision soon. The funds help support Summer Discovery, sports, Living Well, Aging Well and events. Logan will be taking our 2024 annual report packets around to local businesses; his goal is to reach 45.

The Assistant Superintendents report was given by Grace. Grace reported that Living Well, Aging Well numbers have been increasing. We are still looking for ways to spread the word about the program. We are still taking applications for the pool for this summer. Grace reported that her last day will be January 28, 2024. She appreciates the opportunities she had while being employed with the Parks Department.

Marla gave the Athletic Director report for Logan. Basketball games have been played at the high school every Saturday. This year one of the local groups from the high school have been selling concessions at the games. We receive a portion of the sales,

so has been benefiting both the organization selling and the Parks Department. Boys Basketball has been going well and will be finishing up at the beginning of March.

Mens League and Church League Basketball have also been going well. The tournaments are scheduled for March 16&23. Deadline for soccer sign-ups is February 21<sup>st</sup>. We are still looking for coaches and referees.

Spring soccer is our largest sport. Logan would like to remind everyone that recreational sports is intended for fun regardless of skill level.

Business: No old business

New Business: Ann Kirschner nominated current President Amy Hammons and current Vice President Angie McMullen to remain as the present officers for our Park Board. They accepted the nominations by acclamation. All in favor.

Marla thanked Grace for her service at the park and stated that Kelly Moffett, current secretary will be transitioning into the Assistant Superintendent position. Marla has already received approval from Board of Works for Kelly to start as Assistant Superintendent. We are currently interviewing for the secretary position. We have had a lot of wonderful applicants but plan to make a decision by tomorrow.

Marla explained the 2024 annual report packet in detail. There will be a public skate park meeting held at Banquet Hall tomorrow, January 28<sup>th</sup>. Ground breaking will be soon and the project will be completed tentatively in June of July.

Offuts Park ground breaking will be soon, we will be a fitness trail path with fitness stations along the trail. We are currently working with engineers who are designing Rivers Edge. We hope to start on Rivers Edge in the fall with a projection for completion in the fall of 2026. The projects are already funded by part of the five million dollar grant we received in December 2024.

Marla explained that the park puts on 4 public events per year. Anything else that is held at the park is from rentals by individuals or organizations. The park does not discriminate against anyone. We insure that the rentals follow all the guidelines and rules set by the Parks Department.

Miscellaneous Business: No miscellaneous business.

No public forum.

Angie McMullen made a motion to approve claims including payroll. Julie Fisher seconded. Motion carried.

Angie McMullen entertained a motion to adjourn and Ann Kirschner seconded it. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Scribed by: Kelly Moffett

February 19, 2025

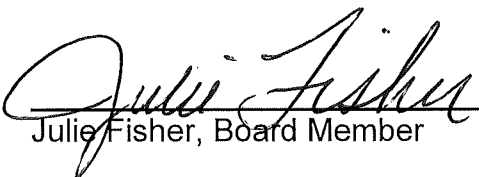
Park Board Meeting approved minutes

Date: 2.24.25

  
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