The Regular Park Board Meeting of the Town of Schererville, Indiana, was called to order by President Brad Bassick, at 5:30 p.m. in the Schererville Town Hall, 10 East Joliet Street, Schererville, Indiana.

The Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance was taken with the following Board Members present: Brad Bassick, Ed Repay, Joe Skvarek, Nicole Kelly, and Jen Wilson. Staff members present: Superintendent John Novacich, Assistant Superintendent Irene Mireles, Facilities Supervisor Karley Morris, Recreation Director Josh Barnes, Attorney Christian Bartholomew, Councilwoman Robin Arvanitis, and Recording Secretary Kristen Bohling.

THEREUPON, Approval of minutes for August 7, 2024

Ms. Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 7, 2024 meeting, seconded by Mr. Skvarek. All in favor (5-0).

THEREUPON, Correspondence NONE

THEREUPON, Reports

ITEM A. Staff

Mr. Barnes discussed events, past and upcoming.

Ms. Morris said NSA Fall Brawl is later this month.

Mr. Novacich reported that the Splash Pad is closed for the season and Phase I for Illiana is done.

The Board inquired about the next steps with the Illiana property. Councilwoman Arvanitis and Mr. Novacich reviewed what was discussed in a recent meeting with the Town Council regarding proposals. Mr. Bassick asked if the Park Board could be updated with new information in the future. Councilwoman Arvanitis and Mr. Novacich agreed.

THEREUPON, Old Business

ITEM A. Any other from the Park Board NONE

THEREUPON, New Business

ITEM A. Discuss Playground Improvements

Mr. Novacich presented playground options for Foxwood North, Foxwood South, and Novo Selo. He said the playgrounds at these parks, not including Beidron, were the three oldest.

Mr. Bassick asked if Beidron playground could be torn down. Mr. Novacich said the Board would have to make a motion.

Mr. Repay made a motion to allow Mr. Novacich to remove the playground from Beidron Park, seconded by Ms. Kelly. All in favor (5-0).

Mr. Novacich said he would like to replace Foxwood North and South first and then replace Novo Selo playground in the next fall. The board reviewed the options for each park.

Mr. Skvarek made a motion for Mr. Novacich to move forward with the following playground options:

Foxwood South – Option #3 Foxwood North – Option #2 Novo Selo – Option #2

Mr. Repay seconded the motion. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM B. Any other from Park Board NONE

THEREUPON, Business from the floor NONE

The Board discussed the next board meeting.

Mr. Skvarek made a motion to hold the next meeting October 10, at 5:30pm. Ms. Wilson seconded the motion. All in favor (5-0)

Ms. Kelly made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Wilson. All in favor (5-0).

Next Park Board meeting is on October 10, 2024 at 5:30pm.

NICOLE KELLY PARK BOARD SECRETARY

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