The Regular Park Board Meeting of the Town of Schererville, Indiana, was called to order by President Brad Bassick, at 6:00 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, Tom Malinowski, Joseph Skvarek, and Nicole Kelly. Staff members present: Superintendent John Novacich, Assistant Superintendent Irene Mireles, Recreation Director Josh Barnes, Facilities Supervisor Karley Morris, Attorney Christion Bartholomew, Councilwoman Robin Arvanitis and Recording Secretary Kristen Bohling.

THEREUPON, Approval of minutes for October 4, 2023

Ms. Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 4, 2023 meeting, seconded by Mr. Repay. All in favor (5-0).

THEREUPON, Correspondence NONE

THEREUPON, Reports

ITEM A. Staff

Ms. Bohling briefly discussed room rentals totals.

Ms. Morris presented the ball field rental and concession totals for the year.

Mr. Barnes discussed upcoming events for the remainder of the year. He also discussed the meeting about Celebrate Schererville Festival and the changes that were decided upon for next year.

THEREUPON, Old Business

ITEM A. Any other from Park Board

Mr. Novacich said the communication boards from Emily Smiles are completed and getting ready to be installed at Rohrman, Redar, and Stephen Park.

Mr. Novacich also discussed the options for shade structures at the Splash Pad.

THEREUPON, New Business

ITEM A. Consider Approval of 2024 NSA Girl's FastPitch World Series Tournament Request

Ms. Mireles said the request is the same as last year.

Mr. Repay made a motion to approve the tournament request. Mr. Skvarek seconded the motion. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM B. Any other from Park Board NONE

THEREUPON, Business from the floor

Councilman Caleb Johnson approached the board about trail connections. He said in the past there has been discussion of connecting the Pennsy Trail and Erie Lackawana Trail via W 75th Avenue, however the Town Council is no longer in favor of that plan. Councilman Johnson suggested connecting a trail from Central Park in Dyer with our Pennsy Trail by 213th and Airport road. He also suggested possibly widening the sidewalks down Joliet Street or creating a connecting trail from Illiana Speedway along US 30. A brief discussion followed.

After some discussion, the Board decided the next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 12, at 6pm, with a study session prior to that at 5pm.

Mr. Repay made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Malinowski.

Next Park Board meeting is on December 12, 2023 at 6pm.

TOM MALINOWSKI PARK BOARD SECRETARY

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