



Franklin Parks & Recreation

Park Board

Cultural Arts & Recreation Center – Conference Room

Thursday, July 18, 2019

3:00 p.m. Meeting

Park Board present: Debbie Gill, Dr. John Shafer, Michael Auger, Pam Ault

Park Board absent: Michael Auger

Staff present: Chip Orner – Director, Rocky Stultz – Asst. Director, Brooke Willis – Business Services Director

Guests present: Mike Blackwell, Nathan Brown, Chris Douthitt

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by President Debbie Gill at 3:00pm.

2. Announcements & Presentations

a. Recognize Mike Blackwell, Park Operations Director for 34 years of service – retirement effective August 2, 2019

A retirement party for Mike Blackwell has been planned for Wednesday, July 31st in Beeson Hall at 11:30am. Please stop by and wish him well. Chip introduced Nathan Brown and Chris Douthitt to the Park Board members.

3. Public Comments

None

4. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of meeting minutes from June 26, 2019

Motion made by Pam Ault and seconded by Dr. John Shafer to approve the minutes. The Board unanimously approved.

b. Approval of July Claims

Motion made by Dr. John Shafer and seconded by Pam Ault to approve the claims. The Board unanimously approved.

c. Approval of Human Resources Report

Motion made by Dr. John Shafer and seconded by Pam Ault to approve the Human Resources Report. The Board unanimously approved.

5. Old Business

a. Purchase of property adjacent to Blue Heron Park – completed July 8, 2019

With the purchase of the property adjacent to Blue Heron Park, we have acquired 61/2 acres of Parks.

b. Additional appropriation for park projects \$100,000 – approved July 15, 2019

This was approved at the City Council meeting on Monday, July 15th.

6. New Business

a. Park Board Resolution 2019-03: Approving a Real Estate Transfer Agreement with the City of Franklin Department of Redevelopment for 180 South Jackson Street, Franklin, Indiana for the sum of \$50,000.00

This is purchased by another government entity. The closing date has not been set yet. Motion made by Pam Ault and seconded by Dr. John Shafer to approve Park Board Resolution 2019-03. The Board unanimously approved.

7. Reports

a. Department Reports

Chip advised the Board that we are set to make a new record for the pool this year. Beeson Hall Is continuing to bring in business. Chip advised the Board that Sharon Hood is planning for retirement next year on June 8th. Positions in the office will be restructured.

b. Financial Reports

Chip presented the Board with the most up to date financials to the Board.

8. Additional Public Comments

None

9. Park Board Comments

None

10. Adjournment

Motion was made by Dr. John Shafer and seconded by Pam Ault to adjourn the meeting.

Next meeting: Thursday, September 19, 2019 @ 4:00pm

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