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The Michigan City Park and Recreation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, May 7, 2025 at the hour of 5:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, City of Michigan City, Indiana.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

On the call of the roll, the following Board Members were found to be present or absent:

Present: Messrs. Glidden, Hoffman, Labis and Mesdames. Sperling and Ward (5)

Absent: (0)

Also present were Shannon Eason, Superintendent; William Walker, Assistant Superintendent; Laura Nirenberg, Park Board Attorney; Pat Voltz, Maintenance Director; Bryant Dabney, City Council Liaison; Scott Miller, CVB; Bruce Manner, Port Authority; and Drew White, ALCO TV.

- On a motion made by Mr. Hoffman, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the minutes of the April 16, 2025 Board meeting.
- ☐ The 2024 Zoological Society Annual Report was presented to the board.
- On a motion made by Mr. Hoffman, seconded by Mr. Labis and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the Washington Park Zoo Event Proposal.
- On a motion made by Mr. Labis, seconded by Mr. Hoffman and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the *Placement of Waterbird Sculpture at Hansen Park*.
- On a motion made by Mr. Labis, seconded by Mrs. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the Revised Contract Language for Rental Halls Regarding Alcohol.
- On a motion made by Mrs. Sperling, seconded by Mr. Hoffman and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the Valuation Services Contract for North Pointe Pavilion Concession Area Lease.
- On a motion made by Mr. Hoffman, seconded by Mr. Labis and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board tabled the *New Printer Lease Documents*.

- □ On a motion made by Mr. Hoffman, seconded by Mr. Labis and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the *Golf Course Lesson Fees − Group and Jr Rates*.
- On a motion made by Mr. Hoffman, seconded by Mrs. Sperling and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the *Patriot Park Press Box Special Purchase Request*.
- On a motion made by Mr. Hoffman, seconded by Mr. Labis and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the *IDEM Grant for Water Quality Testing and* Notification.
- On a motion made by Mr. Hoffman, seconded by Mr. Labis and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the *Park Department's 2025 Q1 Report*.
- On a motion made by Mr. Labis, seconded by Mr. Hoffman and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the *Major Event License Agreement Zoo Society's 5K*.
- On a motion made by Mrs. Sperling, seconded by Mr. Hoffman and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved city claims filed on account of appropriations for the Parks and Recreation Department in the amount of \$290,249.47.
- On a motion made by Mrs. Sperling, seconded by Mr. Hoffman and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Payroll #8, 3/30/25 through 4/12/25, in the amount of \$85,595.76.
- On a motion made by Mrs. Sperling, seconded by Mr. Hoffman and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Payroll #8, 4/13/25 through 4/26/25, in the amount of \$96,294.25.
- On a motion made by Mrs. Sperling, seconded by Mr. Hoffman and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board accepted donations:

| 0 | Unknown | Zoo Donations-misc. | \$ 58.00 |
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| 0 | Matey's | Donation-YBL team sponsorship | \$ 400.00 |
| 0 | Bubbles Ice Cream Parlor | Donation-YBL team sponsorship | \$ 400.00 |
| 0 | Wix.com | Zoo Donations-misc. online | \$ 613.50 |

On a motion made by Mrs. Sperling, seconded by Mr. Hoffman and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved payment of invoices totaling \$3,024.03 out of the Zoo Endowment Fund.

- On a motion made by Mrs. Sperling, seconded by Mrs. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved payment of invoices totaling \$4,812.45 charged to the department's credit card.
- On a motion made by Mr. Labis, supported by all members of the Board, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

William Walker, Assistant Superintendent

Diane Sperling, Park Board Secretary

Minutes prepared by William Walker