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**The Michigan City Park and Recreation Board** met in regular session on Wednesday, May 6, 2026 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, Labis and Mesdames. Espar and Ward (4)**

**Absent: (0)**

**Also present were** Shannon Eason, Superintendent; William Walker, Assistant Superintendent; Laura Nirenberg, Park Board Attorney; Pat Voltz, Maintenance Director; Christine Voltz, Head of Household; Elizabeth Emerick, Zoo Assistant; Taylor Scott, MC Zoological Society; Scott Meland, Bryant Dabney, City Council Liaison, and Drew White, ALCO TV.

- On a motion made by Mr. Labis, seconded by Mrs. Espar and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the minutes of the April 15, 2026 Board meeting.
- On a motion made by Mr. Labis, seconded by Mrs. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the *2026 Q1 Variance Report*.
- On a motion made by Mrs. Espar, seconded by Mrs. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved *2026-05-06 Fedder's Alley Bid Documents*.
- On a motion made by Mr. Labis, seconded by Mrs. Espar and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved *Special Olympics field usage fee waiver request*.
- On a motion made by Mr. Labis, seconded by Mrs. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved *WPZ Animal Request*.
- On a motion made by Mr. Labis, seconded by Mrs. Espar and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved *Zoo Society Event Request*.
- On a motion made by Mrs. Espar, seconded by Mrs. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved *Res No 1089 Fund 2204.503 Recreation Fund Transfer*.

- ❑ On a motion made by Mrs. Espar, seconded by Mrs. Ward 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 \$128,265.62.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mrs. Espar, seconded by Mrs. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Payroll #8, 3/29/26 through 4/11/26, in the amount of \$86,645.56.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mrs. Espar, seconded by Mrs. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Payroll #9, 4/12/26 through 4/25/26, in the amount of \$99,970.60.
- ❑ On a motion made by Mrs. Espar, seconded by Mrs. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board accepted donation:
  - Absolute Cleaning & Restoration      Donation-YBL sponsorship      \$ 200.00
  - Mayor Angie Nelson-Deutch      Donation-Plug-In s      \$1,000.00
  - LP County Visitors Bureau      Donation-G L Grand Prix      \$5,000.00
- ❑ On a motion made by Mrs. Espar, seconded by Mrs. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the following minor transfers:
  - **Zoo Fund 2204.504**
    - Decrease account 413.014      Vacation Buy Back      \$1,674.00
    - Increase account 413.017      Vacation Bonus      \$1,674.00
- ❑ On a motion made by Mrs. Espar, seconded by Mrs. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved payment of invoices totaling \$2,747.12 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 5:59 p.m.

  
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 William Walker, Assistant Superintendent

  
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 Christina Espar, Park Board Secretary