

Griffith Park and Recreation Board Minutes April 2023

April 10th , 2023

The meeting was called to order at the Town Hall, 111 N Broad Street in Griffith, In by President Tim Diamond. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

The following members attended the meeting:

Tim Diamond – President, Dan Perez, Tony Terzarial, Emily Conner-School Board Liaison

Member Dan Perez made a motion to approve the January and February 2023 Minutes, seconded by Member Tony Terzarial, Motion carried.

Member Tony Terzarial made a motion to approve the claims in the amount of \$41,417.09, Member Emily Conner seconded the motion, Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The next park Board meeting will be May 8th , 2023, at 7pm. A study session will be held at 6pm before the meeting and one will follow if necessary.
2. Reminder to residents that if anyone sees any graffiti, damage or questionable behavior in any of the town parks, please call 911.
3. General comments and questions regarding the parks or bike path can be directed to griffithpark@griffith.in.gov

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Tri Kappa will hold a Community Event at Woodland Park on June 3rd , 2023. We will do a ribbon cutting with the Highland/Griffith Chamber which will include a park blessing and color guard by a Girl Scout Troop.
2. There will be a Handball Tournament on May 20th , 2023.
3. Residents near 39th Lane inquired about having the soft surface laid around the playground equipment along with a fence to surround the area. Rich stated he delivered a picnic table today at the park.
4. The YMCA would like to hold Yoga in the Park on Monday's nights at Central Park. Tony Terzarial made a motion to allow the YMCA to use the park on Monday nights. Emily Conner seconded the motion, Motion carried.

REPORTS:

Park Superintendent: Rich Powell

Rich Powell reported they have refinished 100 picnic tables, serviced and put away all winter items, put up the Pickleball nets, and have hired a couple new park employees for the summer.

School Board Liaison's Report

Emily Conner stated the Theatre will be performing Annie on April 21-23 and tickets can be purchased online or at the door. Emily also stated that Wadsworth is moving forward.

Imagine Griffith

Val from Imagine Griffith reported the Town Wide Garage Sale will be May 19-21st , 2023 from 8am to 5pm. Anyone that would like to sign up can email their addresses to info@imaginegriffith.org. They will also have a list and map of the participating house online. All of the Adopt a Spot areas have been taken. Will started to plant flowers sometime after May 16th , 2023.

Finance Report

Tim Diamond stated the park board has about 80% of the budget remaining.

Business From the Board

Unfinished Business

Grant/Tot Park

Tim Diamond stated the documents were sent to the Building Commissioner and will be on the agenda for the Plan Commission next week.

New Park Truck

Tim Diamond stated they are still looking at trucks to purchase.

New Business

Tony Terzarial made a motion to approve the Handball Tournament Alcohol Permit. Dan Perez seconded the motion, Motion carried.

Tim Diamond stated there is a vacancy on the Park Board if any resident would be interested.

Emily Connor made a motion to appoint Tony Terzarial as Park Board Treasurer. Dan Perez seconded the motion, Motion carried.

Business from the floor

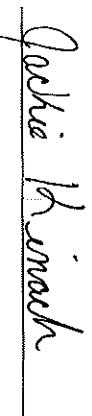
Tony Terzarial stated there will be minor renovations this week at the baseball fields.

Marko Martinez for Griffith Girls Softball stated May6th will be opening day and the parade line up will start at 8am and begin at 9am. Marko also stated the Griffith Girls Softball approved of Calumet Christian School to use their fields.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34p.m.



Tim Diamond, Park Board President



Jackie Kinach, Recording Secretary