

Griffith Park and Recreation Board Minutes

June 13th, 2022

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:

Tony Terzarial, Tim Diamond – President, Dan Perez

Sue Hoese – Absent, John Volkman – School Board Liaison - Absent

Member Tony Terzarial made a motion to approve the May 8th, 2022 Minutes, seconded by Member Dan Perez, Motion carried.

Member Dan Perez made a motion to approve the claims in the amount of \$40,757.78, With an exception to follow up on an item from Krozicks for Sand in the amount of \$780. Rich Powell to follow up on that order as parks did not order any sand. Member Tony Terzarial seconded the motion, Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The next park Board meeting will be July 11th, 2022, 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 griffithparks@griffith.in.gov

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Adopt a spot Central SW corner. Inquiry about clean up by scout troop. Tim to follow up with Val Wotkun regarding adopt a spot.

REPORTS:

Park Superintendent: Rich Powell

Rich Powell reported they have been busy mowing, weed eating, mulching, cleaning up graffiti mostly at Central Park, setting up the Market on Fridays.

School Board Liaison's Report

John Volkman - Absent

Imagine Griffith

Imagine Griffith is doing painting with Park Projects.

Business From the Floor

Unfinished Business

Cheever Park Enhancements

Tim Diamond reported the lights are in place for the pickleball area, Handball was painted, and Footstall will be painted next week.

Grant/Tot Park

Tim Diamond stated they are still waiting on grant approval and continuing working on the engineering end of the plan.

39th Lane Park

Tim Diamond stated they went out for bids to install the playground equipment. 1 bid came back from Sinclair and will go in front of Plan Commission for approval. Rich Powell asked if Restaurant Depot will be scrapping the lot. Mr. Diamond stated it will be the same elevation as it is now.

New Business

John Dudlicek Consulting Agreement – Tony Terzarial made the motion to approve the agreement, Dan Perez seconded the motion. The motion was carried 3-0.

Rich Powell stated a gentleman from the Indiana Geological Survey Company to do borings at the parks to conduct a study. Tim Diamond recommended this gentleman contact the Town Council for approval.

Dan Perez stated the Highland/Griffith Chamber of Commerce would like more involvement from Griffith and they asked if a Park Board Liaison could attend meetings. The meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month.

Business from the Floor

Unfinished Business - None

New Business from the floor – Rick Konaposak stated he helps with the maintenance of the 39th street park and Restaurant Depot needs to be involved in improving the park. He suggested a letter go to the business to get them to help with the cost of improvement of the park. Rick also stated that the agreement with John Dudlicek is a good thing for Griffith. Rick also stated that the Indian Geological Company would be beneficial to the town.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27p.m.



Jackie Kinach, Recording Secretary



Tim Diamond, Park Board President