

Terre Haute Park and Recreation Board

Board Meeting, December 20, 2023

Main Park Office, Fairbanks Park

Terre Haute, Indiana 47807

The Terre Haute Park and Recreation Board held its monthly Business Meeting on December 20, 2023 at 4:00PM, main Park Office, 1110 Girl Scout Lane, Terre Haute, Indiana, 47807. Board members in attendance were President, John Wright, Vice President, Bobby Moore, Secretary, Jann Speidel. Board Member, Gordon Bryan.

Minutes from November 15, 2023 were approved as submitted.

Vote 4-0

Departmental Statements of Activities were furnished by the Controller's Office for November, 2023. Payroll and Claims. The reports were approved as submitted for Parks, Hulman, and Rea.

Vote 4-0

President John Wright, welcomed the public, he then turned the meeting over to Superintendent Eddie Bird.

Old Business

Christmas in the Park was well attended. The weather was great and the train ran every night that it was scheduled. First Place – Delta Theta Tau, Second Place – West Vigo Art & Technology, – Third Place – Team of Mercy, Fourth Place – Sarah Scott, Fifth Place – Wabash Valley Master Gardner's, Sixth Place – Knights of Columbus. People's Choice Award went to West Vigo Art & Technology.

New Business

Stewards Design Group unveiled a \$20 million, 10 – year visionary plan for Fairbanks Park. Some existing features will be refurbished and renamed along with one of them being the fountain that was originally donated in 1983, Amphitheater will also receive a remodeling with the enhancement of river walk beautification, the Delta Playscape (playground), and water recreation are also part of the plan.

Funding for the project will come from sources including economic Development Income Tax, Indiana READI grant revenue and economic development the city receives from the incoming casino.

Herz Rose is also to receive a makeover of \$1.3 million.

A Lease and Operations Agreement was voted on between John Dice and the City of Terre Haut Park and Recreation Board, as coordinator for the Banks of the Wabash Festival.

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The 2024 budget was approved for Wabash Valley Master Gardeners for \$1690.00.


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Public Comment

As the meeting came to a close, Mayor Bennett was thanked by the Board members for his 16 years of service.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:45PM.



President, John Wright



Secretary, Jann Speidel

Next Meeting

January 17 2024, @ 4:00PM

Torner Center, Deming Park

Terre Haute, IN 47803