



Terre Haute Park Board
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 16th, 2025, 4:00pm
Torner Community Center

Members Present: President, Nathan A. Schaumleffel
Vice President, Bobby Moore
Secretary, Lori Danielson
Park Board Member, John Wright

Others Present: Superintendent, Eddie Bird
Assistant Superintendent, Kilie Smith
Office Manager, Britnie Kennedy

President Nathan A. Schaumleffel called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m. and took Park Board attendance. All were present and accounted for.

Meeting Minutes from March 19th, 2025 were approved with revisions.

Motion: Bobby Moore
Second: John Wright

Passed 4 – 0

Claims and the Departmental Statement of Activities report was approved as submitted.

Motion: Bobby Moore
Second: John Wright

Passed 4 – 0

Payroll reports were approved as submitted.

Motion: Lori Danielson
Second: Bobby Moore

Passed 4 – 0

The Wabash Valley Community Foundation (WVCF) Quarter 1 statement was not available for review. As soon as those statements are available, the Park Board will receive a copy via email. There is a new fundraising account set up at WVCF for The Vigo County Firefighters Memorial Project. All of the funding is being raised through a volunteer fundraiser committee comprised of City employees and retired firefighters with the intended purpose of creating a fallen firefighter memorial within Memorial Park.



President Nathan A. Schaumleffel welcomed the public and started to discuss Old Business.

Old Business

The DNR formally approved the 2025 – 2029 Terre Haute Parks and Recreation Master Plan granting permission to apply for LWCF funding.

Resolution # 2 adopting the 2025 – 2029 Terre Haute Parks and Recreation Master Plan was approved as submitted.

Motion: Lori Danielson

Second: John Wright

Passed 4 – 0

A Resolution # 3 will be brought to the Board for vote to adopt The Master Plan Implementation Committee during the May Park Board meeting.

President Nathan A. Schaumleffel turned project updates over to Assistant Superintendent Kilie Smith.

Phase 1 of the Fairbanks Park Master Plan remains on hold due to a compliance issue related to Voorhees Park. City representatives are actively working with the National Park Service (NPS) and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to resolve the matter. Once the Terre Haute Park Board completes a land conversion according to NPS specifications, the City will be in compliance. Pending approval, we intend to submit a Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant application this fall.

The Hertz-Rose project is still on track to finish this year. Project coordinators are meeting with the Pacers Foundation on April 18th, 2025 to discuss designs for the basketball court.

The final design for the Deming Park Pool will be presented on May 8, 2025. Terre Haute Parks and Recreation will share the finalized design with the Park Board at its upcoming meeting. Mayor Brandon Sakbun is preparing to initiate the bidding process for the project with the goal of issuing the bid by May or June.

A five-member selection committee, led by the City's Engineering Department, was established to identify a qualified Construction Manager at Risk for the YMCA addition and renovation project. Following a thorough evaluation process, the committee selected Garmong



Construction as the recommended firm. The Terre Haute Park Board reviewed and approved this recommendation.

Motion: John Wright

Second: Bobby Moore

Passed 4 – 0

Coy Park Playground – The Mayor's Student Council is making steady progress toward their fundraising goal of \$145,000. At the May Park Board meeting, the Council will present their proposed playground design for approval. Once approved, the equipment must be ordered by early July in order to give enough lead time for installation later this year.

The loan application for (4) Air Force aircrafts has been submitted to be placed at Racer Air Plaza is being processed.

There are no updates associated with the Girl Scout Building lease at this time.

City Attorney, Michael Wright is in negotiation with the Friends of Rea Park to finalize the Rea Park Clubhouse Award Agreement.

New Business

A proposal for an educational retreat for members of Terre Haute Parks and Recreation Dept. and Terre Haute Park Board was discussed and approved.

Motion: Lori Danielson

Second: John Wright

Passed 4 – 0

Lori Danielson spoke about the launch of the River Front Master Plan on April 23, 2025. This long-term initiative, spanning 10 to 15 years, aims to elevate and enhance the various projects underway along the Wabash River. A key partner in this effort has been the U.S. Army Corps of Engineering. Their expertise in riverfront stabilization and development have been essential to the plan.



Announcements

Park Board Member Comments

Public Comments

Adjournment

President, Nathan A. Schaumleffel called the meeting to close at 4:48 pm.

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President, Nathan A. Schaumleffel

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lori Danielson".

Secretary, Lori Danielson

Next Meeting
Terre Haute Park Board
Wednesday, May 21st, 2025 at 4:00 pm
Torner Community Center, 500 Fruitridge Ave.
Terre Haute, IN 47803