

BEECH GROVE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Minutes for meeting on Wednesday, December 14, 2022—7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order at 7:04 P.M.
 - a. Members Present: Tara Wolf, Jeff Woehler, Jannis King, Joe Grant, John Dorsey, Ben Easley
 - b. Also present: Tom Hannon, Angel McKenna
2. Review Past Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion by Joe Grant; second by John Dorsey. Unanimous approval.
3. Claims Review
 - a. Appropriations details and revenue report on file and available via a public records request to the Clerk-Treasurer.
4. BG Parks Director's Report:
 - a. Part-time guys' last day to work is December 23. They are mostly on litter patrol. But a tree fell on S 9th Avenue today, which staff (Tom) addressed.
 - b. Projects for next week may include removal of invasive honeysuckle.
 - c. Ditched wooden tables at Hornet Park and Sarah Bolton Park; new aluminum tables at Hornet Park.
5. Hornet Park Community Center Report:
 - a. Grinch breakfast garnered 215 attendees!
 - b. Angel was funded for a grant through the Indianapolis Food Hunger Network for supplies to help with the pantry, equipment to keep food hot or cold.
 - c. Upcoming Christmas community dinner on December 21.
 - d. Buzz Club is going into winter break in the next few weeks.
 - e. Angel is working on a plan for a 2023 concert series at Bolton Park; she has a lead on a lighting/sound guy, and is making connections with food vendors.
6. Old & New Business
 - a. Mayor's Dinner for Parks was lovely. Caterer brought less staff than necessary. Grand total of donations is before, during and after the event is \$15,175.
 - i. The January meeting of the Foundation will include both "Thank You" notes and discussion for how to best utilize the new funds.
 - b. Tara sent around a meeting invitation about considerations for an amphitheater; this will put our thoughts/brainstorming together for needs of the building.
 - c. INRC grant – Funded at \$10,000 for the proposal of limited aluminum signage, some landscaping, and a bike rack for Hornet Park Community Center. INRC will reach out with next steps; expect to be funded in the new year.
 - d. LWRC grant – 16th/Detroit: What zone is it now, and what would it have to be. Ben will work to contact Linda Albrand.
 - e. LARE grant – Wessler did an initial scope, but when meeting with INDR, they recommended multiple phases of a LARE grant with a more natural treatment. Tom and Tara met with two more firms that gave their initial ideas; waiting on the second to give a formal cost estimate.

- f. Co-working space idea. Brainstormed how various rooms could be adapted and various considerations addressed for a possible new revenue-generator.
 - g. Parking lot project is fully complete.
 - h. Breathe Easy Beech Grove reached out to Tara about making all Parks properties smoke-free. Tara invited them to next meeting, but they are not here.
 - i. The Parks Foundation must pay to get its 501c3 designation; the lawyer only recently made Tara aware of this. On this first card “purchase”, the account was hacked; Chase took care of it.
 - j. Angel will hold a date next year for Parks Foundation Dinner or Luncheon. Possibly in early October.
7. Round Table
8. Adjournment
- a. Motion by Joe Grant; second by Jeff Woehler. Adjourned at 8:12 pm.
 - b. Next meeting will be January 11, 2023 at 7pm at HPCC.