

Muncie Park & Recreation Board Meeting

January 18, 2022 6 p.m.

City Hall Auditorium

1. CALL TO ORDER- Brad Marshall called meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – All stood for the Pledge

3. ROLL CALL-Present were President Brad Marshall, Mark Ervin and Dr. Shannon Powers, James Lutton and Chandra Parks.

4. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 15TH AND 30TH SPECIAL PARKS BOARD

MINUTES- Vote taken by all Board members present. Motion carries. Approved by all members present.

5. BOARD REORGANIZATION

- Election for Board President and Vice President.
- Mark Ervin nominated Brad Marshall for President. Seconded by Dr. Shannon Powers. Approved by all members present.
- Brad Marshall nominated Dr. Shannon Powers. Seconded by Chandra Parks. Approved by all members present.

6. MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2022

- Brad Marshall presented a meeting schedule for 2022 with no meeting in November.
- Dr. Powers stated she appreciates going back to a monthly schedule with all the projects going on with the department this year.

Mr. Marshall entertained a motion to approve the Meeting Schedule for 2022.

Vote taken by all Board members present. Motion carries. Approved by all members present.

7. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – CARL MALONE

Mr. Malone expressed his appreciation to the new board members for accepting the role as it will be nice to have a full board with all that projects coming up. It will be nice to have that direction and guidance as we complete the projects for 2022.

Mr. Malone stated there has been some reorganization going on in the office. The issues of concern last year were bookkeeping/budget balancing, Tuhey Pool and staffing. There have been some staffing changes and by the end of the week all the staffing issues should be taken care of. He stated Nikki Eckerson has been doing a good job helping out the Department and dealing with invoicing and the budget and he is looking forward to the challenge of seeing where we end up for 2023.

We are currently moving over to the new office on Centennial. The crew has been doing some cleaning and small renovation work. They have been doing painting and have to move over the gas tanks. Once that is done we will contact IT so they can come in and do what they need for the phone lines, etc. so we can move everything over to the new building. We are going to keep the old office until the Mayor decides what he would like to use it for. There has been discussion about having it available to neighborhood associations and some equipment will be kept on site. The Kirby/Madison location will currently remain as well. In terms of the bills we hope to maintain the Kirby/Madison and the new Centennial location.

We are scheduled to begin Riverview with the third splash park. We've had several meetings with the Whitely Neighborhood Association with Dustin Clark and Mayor Ridenour and everyone seems to be on the same page. The initial open date was 4th of July but it looks like it has been moved out to the latter part of August/September due to permit issues and things of that nature. Looks like they will begin in the project March.

McCullough Park is under the leadership of Deputy Mayor Richard Ivy and he has already been working with the Cal Ripken Foundation and their project has also been delayed. They had expected to get started in October but it looks like it won't get started until March.

We had a meeting with the Skate Park Coalition last week to discuss the importance of working together, meeting with the neighborhood and getting the funding together. The funding needs have changed since what was requested last year so there will be some fundraising to be done before the project can begin. They seem to believe what needs to be raised is achievable. The Skate Park will be at Westside Park where they aeronautics area was previously located. They have discussed it with the people at the aviation place and they are on board.

Dr. Shannon Powers met with George and I to give us some leadership and guidance on some grant opportunities to make the repairs at Tuhey.

There is quite a bit going on in 2022 along with our regular day operation work, mowing season and things of that nature. We are going to be pretty busy this year and George will talk a little about our programming. So we still have programming on top of the projects and everyday operations so we are going to be busy.

Dr. Powers inquired if the Boards could be invited to the Skate Park Zoom meeting on February 23, 2022 and Carl said yes! Dr. Powers inquired about the Skate Parks account with the Foundation. Carl stated they have opened an account but there is no money in the account yet. Hopefully as they start fundraising then that money can be funneled into that account. Brad inquired if it was set up as a pass-through fund and then they have a nominal amount of possibly \$700 or whatever they set up the fund with. Carl stated they amount the Mayor set aside will be added to what they raise. Dr. Powers inquired what that amount was and Carl stated the Mayor shared he would put in \$300,000 towards the total costs but that costs has changed from what they initially stated. Brad stated it would be good for the Board to review the plans and drawings as we get closer if they are targeting an April start date. Dr. Powers inquired if they are going to ask the City for more or for Edit Funds. Carl stated it was discussed as the Federal funds earmarked from the ARP funds were considered separate and their committee did talk about asking the Mayor about some EDIT funds to go towards the project. Dr. Powers inquired if they were confident they would be able to start the project in April and Carl stated part of it will be determined by if they can raise the \$150,000. Dr. Powers inquired if there has been any cost estimate on the time and costs it may take for the Parks Department for upkeep around the grounds. Carl stated not really but they thought it would be very little and they would be doing some in-kind services as well.

Brad mentioned Tuhey Pool and Splash Pad repairs. The hope is for the grant but wondered if there was a Plan B. Carl stated he believed we have funds available to do the minor repairs as the costs for the Splash Park will be that expensive. We also have something in the works with the Skate Park Coalition with them doing some in-kind work they would do. They mentioned a coating surface they could add on to the splash pad so it could be opened prior to the pool opening in May.

8. PRARIE CREEK REPORT – Ashley Wright

- There isn't a lot to update as we're just fixing up the decking & finishing up the invoices. The plan is to mail them out the last week of January or first week of February. They've already had a few people come in to pay which is fine. They are ready just not all of them are in envelopes.

- We have a lottery entry list for our docks and campsites and this year we made it completely on our website which makes it easier for everyone since our phone lines are always busy. It is making it easier and we already have 300 names between the docks and campsites.

Brad inquired when the cutoff date is and Ashley stated it is March 31st. She will give the information during the February meeting as well.

- There are three events that need approval from the Board.

The first is April 24th. It's a fishing tournament held by Crossroads Walli Trail, LLC ran by Chad Martin. They plan on having 20 teams so about 40 people. 7 am – 3 pm. They don't really need much from the Park other than use of the launch. We have a form and the coordinator collects the launch fees and they come pay the office.

Brad inquired if there had been any issues with prior tournaments and Ashley stated there had been none as they have tournaments across the state.

Vote taken by all Board members present. Motion carries. Approved by all members.

- The next two are from America Multisport, LLC and Steven Tomboni who is here tonight.

The first will be February 26th it is a Viking Dash Trail Run on the Indian Hill area. They set up all their stuff. We just put a walk board over one small area but that's all the park does.

Brad inquired if they have had the event before and Ashley stated they have and he regularly does races out there and used to hold the triathlons in May and September. Brad inquired if there were any issues and Ashley stated there were not. Brad inquired if we give notice to the horse people and Ashley stated they do. Shannon inquired how many participants were expected and Mr. Tomboni stated about 200 this time but it has been about 400 in the past. Mark Ervin inquired about insurance coverage and Mr. Tomboni stated the event gets insurance naming the City and the Park. Dr. Powers inquired if we make money off the event and Ashley stated not off this one as they deal the least with them on this event as most participants are just there for the day.

Brad inquired if there was anything we could do to help with the drop off in numbers but Mr. Tomboni stated a lot of it is pandemic related as the endurance athlete pool

has gotten smaller since 2020. It was at its peak in 2019 but he believes they have lost about 25 percent and about 50 percent of race owners. Chandra Parks inquired if they were prepared if they kept their normal 400 people and Mr. Tomboni stated they are as they only issue would be parking but they have a contingency plan which would have the athletes park at the regular parking lot at the beach and carpool over. They have a whole series of emails that go out to the athletes prior to the event.

Vote taken by all Board members present. Motion carries. Approved by all members.

- The second will be October 29th. It will be after Iron Man and will most likely be one of the last event of the year they would hold. Expected attendance is around 400.

Brad inquired if this is another Viking Run and Mr. Tomboni stated it is the National Championship and they hope 400 is a good number to expect. Dr. Powers inquired how we could help promote the event. Mr. Tomboni stated maybe having it on the City or Parks website. Brad inquired if there is anything else he would like to see facilities wise as an event holder and he stated no. Dr. Powers inquired if there would be any vendors and Mr. Tomboni stated they have the Papa John's Pizza truck which is coordinated through Ashley.

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Ashley stated they are looking to turn the room in the new building into an education center. They are looking into purchasing a video conferencing screen so we can do video conferencing and hold classes. She has spoken to the DNR and they have expressed interest in having Boaters Education classes. The Sailboat Club has had an explosion of membership so they have a lot of new sail boaters that want to know the general rules. Officer Brand wants to possibly work with us to use that room to hold a crash course for them as the Boaters Ed course is about six hours and you can't always get everyone nailed down to that one. So possibly a crash course with the general laws and things people don't always know.

Dr. Powers stated it would also be nice for the schools to know that facility exists and the Scouts. Ashley stated that is part of the plan. Dustin got another grant to put some educational type stuff in there so they are looking for various ideas. We're looking at the stuff like at the State Parks that the kids can touch and those kinds of things as we have plenty of room.

Dr. Powers inquired if there had been any follow-up on Prairie Creek to gather feedback from the long-term campers and dock renters. Ashley stated the

questionnaire is with every invoice. We have also debated on doing a questionnaire for the general public, regular visitor and beach user to see what we could do better or what they would like to see. Brad inquired if those would be going out with the invoices in the next couple of weeks and Ashley stated they are.

9. PARKS PROGRAMS – George Foley

Mr. Foley welcomed the two new board members. He stated he is still working on the programming for the Parks but we have started the year off good. Yesterday, Carl Malone, I and eight other chaperones took 40 high school youth to the Muhammad Ali Center. It was through collaboration between the Parks, Indiana Michigan Power and Ivy Tech. We were blessed to have Juvenile Probation purchase sweatshirts for all the kids. It was a same day trip and the youth were even interviewed by a Louisville TV station so hopefully we will get a clip to be able to share on our Facebook page and website.

We will be starting a new program tomorrow for Senior Citizens it will be an exercise class that we will be doing every four weeks. Tomorrow it will be chair exercises for Seniors ages 55+. We had a few people signed up but a lot of people are scared of Covid. We had an organization pull out because of Covid that was going to help with the food but we are going to give it a try and see how it goes. We are going to try to do activities through the whole year. The first two months we will do it in the cabins and then a Walk Club when spring starts going to different parks, walking the trails and discussing the history of that park.

Right now he is working on the Summer Employment Program and making some changes to it for this year. Last year we hired 200 kids but this year we want to hire 100 kids and have them work 2 days and a third day of STEM classes. So we're talking to a few organizations to have STEM activities on Wednesday and then they would work Thursday and Friday making double what they did last year. We want to hire 100 qualified kids between the ages of 12 – 16. We already have a commitment from MITS to do the transportation to the work spots. We have commitments from both YMCA's to have some of our children work there, along with Second Harvest, Cornerstone and about 8 other companies. We would like to have the middle school aged children work in the parks on beautification projects. We've also been in discussion with Thrive Credit Union to set up bank accounts for the workers. They have pledged to put money in their savings accounts. They haven't given an amount yet but have made the pledge to do it and also provide financial literacy for the children.

There is some other programming we would like to do throughout the year. Of course there will be football and we are looking at doing a Citywide Pickleball Tournament. We are trying to establish a couple more pickleball courts so it would be nice if

Halteman was completed along with the other spots we are trying to pick out like Heekin Park and one other. We will also be doing Soccer this year. We will be doing the 7 Sport Series again in collaboration with the Mac and YMCA to introduce children between 4th – 8th grade to 7 sports for 3 days each which will include Golf, Tennis, Soccer, Football, Basketball, Baseball and Track and Field.

Dr. Powers inquired where it will take place and Mr. Foley stated it would be at different locations. Track and Field will be at Muncie Central. Golf will be at Crestview. Tennis will be spread amongst various outdoor courts including Southside. Football and Soccer will be Ball Park. Basketball will be at Heekin Park.

We will have the Music Festival again this year at McCullough Park. It was successful last year and a lot of people were asking about having it again this year. We will be doing a Summer Basketball Camp as well for elementary – 6th grade. We've talked to the Athletic Director at Muncie Central and he has pledged to have the coaching staff and some players come out to teach the kids fundamentals of Basketball.

We received a call from NAACP. They have a mission statement that they have to do something related to health. So they asked if the Parks would like to collaborate and do a 5K Walk/Run for Mental Health. They have pledged whatever proceeds are made from the even minus their expenses they will give the remainder to the Park Foundation. That should be in the beginning of May and they will keep Carl and I in the loop about the exact date.

We are planning to have a great year of programming throughout the entire year. We want to not only keep the kids busy but also do some things for the Seniors and people with disabilities. We want to expand programming this year if Covid allows us to do everything we want to do this year. He stated once the budget has been finalized and the Mayor has signed off on the Summer Employment Program he will send a copy over to the Board.

Mrs. Parks inquired if there is a process used to select the mentors for the Employment Program. Mr. Foley stated there isn't a strict process and they would love to have Mrs. Parks come down to help mentor. Last year we covered a lot of areas with the kids. We just want to prepare our youth for when they get in the real world. We know that everyone may not go to a 4 year college so we had Ivy Tech come and talk about trades. We had small business owners come talk about starting their own business. We had Mrs. Rhonda Ward talk about HBCU's. We even had a gentleman come talk his life story about being in a gang, seeing his brother killed and it changing his life. He enrolled at Ivy Tech became an electrician and now he owns his own business. We want to give them different avenues with financial literacy and let them know about STEM programs and other options besides college.

Dr. Powers inquired who would oversee the STEM program. Mr. Foley stated he is currently working on it and talking to Purdue Extension and a few other organizations to see who will give us the best rate.

Mr. Marshall asked why we're looking to decrease from 200 to 100 youth employees and inquired if that was to focus more on those who are there or if 200 was too many. Mr. Foley stated it was both as he felt 200 was too many thinking about Covid and we also want to encourage the kids with being able to make more money working 2 days.

Mr. Foley mentioned they have been receiving a lot of requests about Baseball and Softball. We have a meeting Thursday with Little League to discuss bringing it to Muncie. So we are working on our baseball facilities. Mr. Foley, Dr. Powers and his intern Griffin Lambert who joined us last week have been working on it. They found a grant through Major League Baseball so we are in the process of putting the grant application together so we can put some money into the baseball fields. We also have Burris High School and Middle School playing their games at our facilities along with Muncie Central and AAU. We would like to start a female softball league as we've had a lot of young ladies that want to bring Softball back to Muncie so we are looking at using Heekin Park for that. We have a busy year ahead of us but it's going to be fun bringing things to the community.

10. OLD BUSINESS

- Mr. Marshall brought the new board members up to speed on the approval of the Park Foundation Endowment and Pass-through through The Community Foundation. He and Carl have some paperwork to finalize and we need to get the seed money transferred over from the City but it is also open to the public as well to donate through a 501(c)3 to the parks. Dr. Powers inquired when it should be finalized and Mr. Marshall stated he believed they just need to get over to sign the documents. Mr. Malone stated he would call the next day to see when they could go over. Mr. Marshall stated he believed they would also need to speak to Dan or Richard to get the seed money moved over. Dr. Powers stated she, George and Griffin were coming up with some promotional advertisements so we can start publishing for this new campaign which would go throughout the year. Mrs. Parks stated that would be something to push to the Neighborhood Associations as well.
- Dr. Powers submitted the application to the Delaware County Community Foundation last week for \$43,500 for Tuhey safety upgrades, pool upgrades and signage for the pool and splash pad. The three improvements are \$15,000 to fix the 3 story slide, take care of the ground safety concerns with the splash pad and

resurface the baby pool. Brad inquired if there was a timeline on the approval process and Dr. Powers stated she believed it was mid- February.

- She will also be writing a rapid grant to start a program for low resourced audiences for youth to get them certified as lifeguards. The grant will help cover the \$200 certification fee through The American Red Cross. The grant will be through the Ball Brother Foundation and will fund certification for applicants that could work for the City of Muncie as lifeguards at Tuhey Pool this summer and also certification for Water Safety Instructors so they can teach in the Learn to Swim Program that is overseen by Cardinal Swim Club. She will work with the Muncie Community School Athletic Director and the Ice League to recruit students from the local high schools. She has allocated an instructor and gotten her fee and should be able to get 50 people certified.

Mr. Malone interjected last year they had a shortage of lifeguards at Tuhey and Prairie Creek as the season went on which created a lot of shortened days or sudden closures. Dr. Power stated she had an idea to fix that which was to certify adults that aren't going back to school and can work those last 3 weeks. She also interjected that the lifeguard certification lasts 3 years

- Mr. Marshall stated under old business was the Skate Park/Westside Park which has already been talked about. Mr. Malone stated the Skate Park Coalition were slated to be here tonight to give updates on changes, material costs to the type of skate park they were looking at and increase in funding. He didn't want to say to much as they have all their information. Mr. Marshall stated we will keep them on the agenda for next month as assuming they can raise their funds that is going to be a big project for us this year.
- Mr. Malone brought before the Board, John Tuttle going to Iowa to pick up a set of bleachers that had been repaired while he was out on sick leave. If the company delivers it to us it will cost upwards of \$1,700 but he will drive up, spend one night in a hotel and bring the bleacher back the next day. Carl requested approval from the Board to pay for the hotel and gas. Mr. Marshall entertained a motion to approve it within the City's guidelines for travel, hotel stay and gas reimbursement.

Vote taken by all Board members present. Motion carries. Approved by all members.

12. NEW BUSINESS – Lawnmower quote for Parks Department

- Mr. Malone stated we have been looking at purchasing some new lawn mowers for 2022 which was approved by City Council as we have additional parks. He had Mr. Foley come up to discuss the three quotes received from A Rental Service Co, Roy Padgett's Small Engines and John Deere. The best quote was from A Rental Service Co which showed the rental agreement and why the BobCat was a great mower to have. For three mowers it is \$41,511.45 with a warranty of 36 months or 2000 hours. They gave us a 15% discount as they are down the street from us and they already do a lot of work for us and we pick up a lot of supplies from them as well and have a great relationship with them. We are seeking Board approval so we can place the order so they can be delivered in April.

Mr. Marshall inquired if we would be adding to our maintenance fleet or are we trading in or replacing units. Mr. Foley stated we would be disposing of the old units after using them as long as we can but we need additional mowers as more parks are added.

Mr. Marshall inquired if there was any trade-in value and Mr. Foley stated they do not do trade-ins for these so we would have to sell them somewhere else. Mr. Lutton inquired how many hours a year are put on the mowers and Mr. Foley stated there's a lot but he can't guess but when you take McCullough that has two guys mowing, Heekin and Westside are pretty good sizes as well. We start mowing in March and go until the end of October for the mowing season.

Mr. Marshall inquired if we have trailers and transportation capabilities to move them around and Mr. Foley stated we do have trailers and hitches.

Vote taken by all Board members present. Motion carries. Approved by all members.

12. OTHER BUSINESS –

Farrah Webb - EraseTheHate

Ms. Webb is a volunteer with several agencies with the City of Muncie including the Parks Department and has volunteered with the Summer Mentor Program. She has created a program called EraseTheHate which is currently out on Cardinal Greenway which has the kids painting over the graffiti. This past summer we had the kids put Art in The Park painting bleachers, benches and picnic tables.

She is requesting \$4,000 for the Muncie Mural program. Instead of just painting gray over graffiti we want to put actual art there. The funding would cover 3 spaces, 1 in the park, a mural at Nichols and White River doing a tribute to everyday heroes

like police officers, soldiers, EMT's, doctors, nurses, cab drivers, cashiers and sewer maintenance. We will incorporate the #MakeLoveGoViral that is part of George's empowerment program. She has an artist that will do the outline and then the kids from the summer program can fill it in like paint by number. There will be a clear coat that doesn't allow graffiti the stick and it will come off with rain or water.

Mrs. Parks inquired if the artist is on a volunteer basis. Ms. Webb stated part of the \$4,000 would be \$300 stipend for Leon Crosby who has worked with the Parks Department before. He has done a project at McCullough by the bathrooms. It would be \$300 for each of the 3 projects. Dr. Powers inquired if he lived in town and Ms. Webb stated he does and works at Cornerstone.

Ms. Webb stated eventually they would like to incorporate small businesses into the idea. The plan is to have a space in the art that you can step into and take a picture. They can find the #MakeLoveGoViral that's hidden in the picture and take the picture into small businesses and get a trinket or something. It's a long-term goal but starting with baby steps.

Dr. Powers inquired if the Parks Department had \$4,000 to donate to the idea and Mr. Malone stated that it is currently not in the budget for 2022 and we were upfront about that so we did mention other sources such as The Art Fund and possibly the Deputy Mayor can help with that as this is a two year project. Mr. Marshall inquired about the project term and Ms. Webb stated it is a two year project, \$4,000 for this year and \$2,000 for next year. Dr. Powers inquired if Ms. Webb had ever thought about writing a grant and she stated she did write for The Ball Brothers but she was turned down because of the small amount but once she has some of the projects up they may help with her project at Graffiti Alley at Kitselman since they already have funding there for the Kitselman Project. Dr. Powers stated she would be willing to help with talking to them and offering any help she can.

Mr. Marshall stated that though we don't have money in our accounts we can't donate but the Board can offer a vote of support, provide a letter from the board and they can reach out to other entities. He also believes this may be a good first allocation for next year to give from the pass-through. Mr. Ervin agreed as he has seen the EraseTheHate on the Greenway and believes it is a very positive thing to support any way we can. Ms. Webb inquired if she could write the grant as the Parks Department since she can't do it as an individual. The Board agreed they would support that. A motion was entered to support the EraseTheHate program as a Parks Mural Program.

Vote taken by all Board members present. Motion carries. Approved by all members.

George Foley – United Medical Laboratories

Mr. Foley stated he received a call from United Medical Laboratories out of Tennessee and their local representative Carlos Perez regarding using one of our cabins for a year to do Covid testing. They were willing to pay a monthly stipend to use one of the cabins five days a week and he wanted to see if this was something the Board was interested in and what we would charge them for a monthly rental.

Dr. Powers stated she believed it was a good location since there doesn't seem to be a lot of places on the south side to be readily tested besides Walgreens. Mr. Marshall inquired which space we are looking at and Mr. Foley stated it would be Cabin 2 which is the smallest and least used. Mr. Marshall would hate to give up a space we could be renting but he definitely wants to support. Mrs. Parks inquired if we could use one of the vacant office spaces. Dr. Powers interjected that the cabin is rented readily during the week and Mr. Foley agreed as Cabin 2 is rarely rented during the week as it only holds 20. Mr. Marshall inquired if the five days a week was due to our availability or what they requested and Mr. Foley stated that is what they requested and for that they are willing to pay a stipend for the whole year. They stated they would pay whatever amount we set. Dr. Powers inquired if he believed there was ample parking and he stated there is along that driveway. Mr. Marshall inquired when they would like to start and Mr. Foley stated as soon as the Board says they can. Mrs. Parks stated she would rather see it done in one of the office areas. Dr. Powers inquired how many cabins there are and Mr. Foley stated there are 4 at Heekin Park and she states she sees it as a good money maker.

Donny Wright from The Street Department asked Mr. Foley if he stated they are willing to pay and Mr. Foley said that was correct. Mr. Wright stated if they are willing to pay, you're not losing any money and are actually making money if that cabin isn't rented all week anyways it's just all income. Dr. Powers stated while she understands people want an office but she's sure they will have separations for private spots, privacy barriers, etc. to maintain their medical protocols. Mr. Marshall stated he believed we should look at forming a partnership with them and look at renting the cabin to them until we are out of the office and possibly reevaluate at that time or if it's working out great leave in the cabin. Mr. Marshall stated regarding the rate we would need to review the current rates. Dr. Powers inquired what the current rate is and Ms. Eckerson stated Cabin 2 is \$122.80 for a half day which is 10 - 4 or 5 - 11. Mr. Marshall inquired what the full day rate was and Ms. Eckerson stated she email the rate sheet in the morning. Dr. Powers stated that could possibly be \$610 per week or \$31,720 for fifty two weeks.

Dr. Powers stated we could possibly offer the half day rate plus possibly utilities and a contract to cover vandalism. Mr. Foley stated any contract would be presented to the Board for review and approval. Dr. Powers also stated there should be some

insurance in case there is an accident in the parking lot or the cabin. She also stated she believed it was an awesome opportunity.

Mr. Marshall stated it will go on the agenda for approval in February unless we need an approval before then in which case a Zoom call could be scheduled. He also stated they would evaluate the rates and move forward in that direction.

13. PUBLIC INPUT- None presented

Griffin Lambert, the new intern was brought to the podium to introduce himself. He is a major in Sport Administration looking to get into Sports Finance when he graduates in May. Mr. Marshall inquired if he will be staying during the summer but he states he hopes to have a real job by then. Mr. Marshall if he planned to stay in Muncie but he stated he wasn't really tied down anywhere. Mr. Marshall expressed his appreciation for having him help out this spring.

Mr. Malone approached the podium to express his thanks to the Board for their leadership and direction over the past two years. He and George have discussed program delivery and bringing the community in with the Five Year Plan, being proud of what the Board has done and what the City is doing to provide opportunities for our communities. He expressed his appreciation to the Board for all their work and effort. Mr. Marshall thanked Mr. Malone and Mr. Foley for their great work as well.

Meeting was adjourned by Brad Marshall, President.

*** Next Park Board meeting is currently scheduled for February 15, 2022 at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Auditorium.**



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- (1) Call to Order
- (2) Pledge of Allegiance
- (3) Roll Call
- (4) Approval of the minutes from (December 2021 and Special Meeting) Park Board Meeting.
- (5) Board Reorganization
- (6) Meeting Schedule for 2022
- (7) Superintendent Report – Carl Malone
- (8) Prairie Creek Report – Dustin Clark & Ashley Wright
- (9) Parks Programs – George Foley
- (10) Old Business
 - Park Foundation
 - Tuhey Pool Grant
 - Skatepark – Westside Park
- (11) New Business
 - Lawnmower Quote
- (12) Other Business – This is a call to the Audience that may have items that need Approved from Parks and Recreation Board
- (13) Action Items
- (14) Public Input – (3) minutes limit – Please state your name and address

Remember to please call the Park Office or the Park Board President (Brad Marshall) if you have an item that needs to be placed on the agenda.

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January 18th
February 15th
March 15th
April 19th
May 17th
June 21st
July 19th
August 16th
September 20th
October 18th
November – No Meeting
December 20th
January 17, 2023

*All meetings will be scheduled for 6 PM.

** Additional meetings may be initiated as needed to accommodate issues or time sensitive items.



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Superintendent Report

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Muncie Parks and Recreation is excited about the 2022 upcoming Park season. Muncie Parks looks forward to building programming and projects in 2022. We have started minor renovations, cleaning and painting at our new office on Centennial Avenue (Old Sanitation Building). We have several park projects slated for 2022 Park season.

Park Projects 2022

- Riverview Splash Park: Projected start date **(Early March 2022)**
Projected completion date: **(August 2022)**
- McCulloch Park baseball diamond. Cal Ripken, Sr Foundation, start date **(Mid-March 2022)**, completion date **(End of July 2022)**
- Muncie Skate Park Coalition (Westside Park), start date **(April 2022)**, pending fundraising goal - \$150,000. Completion Date **(Late Fall 2022)**
- Tuhey Pool Repairs: Pending Grant Approval from Muncie-Delaware County Community Foundation.

If the Board would have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the Park Office (765) 747-4858 or cell (765) 749-8490.

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Skate Park Meeting

January 10, 2022

Attendees: Superintendent Carl Malone, Rosa Selvey, Todd Swackhamer, Josh Perkins and George Foley

- Todd Swackhamer and Josh Perkins will meet with Hunger Skatepark to submit another proposal. The price will increase from \$375,000.00 to \$450,000.00
- Skate Park Type: Beginner to Intermediate
- Type of Material: Concrete and Steel
- Josh Perkins said that he would work on In-Kind Donations
- Possible Donors to raise \$150,000.
 - IMI (Will donate concrete and stone)
 - City of Muncie (Edit Funds)
 - Norwest Bank
 - Ball Foundation
 - Rick Zigler
 - Don Case Construction
- Ro Selvey confirmed she would take the lead in raising the funds and promised to have commitments from donors by April 1, 2022.
- Project for Skate Park would start in April 2022. Hunger Skate Park confirmed it would take 12 weeks to complete project. Projected Finish Date: Fall 2022
- Muncie Skate Park Coalition confirmed they have an account with the Foundation
- Josh Perkins and Todd Swackhamer will meet with JP Hall from Halteman Village Neighborhood Association about other ways to get funding for Skate Park.
- Ro Selvey will meet with Heather Williams and arrange a meeting with the Westside Neighborhood Association to give an update on the Skate Park.

Next Meeting via Zoom: February 3rd, 2022 at 4:30pm

Prairie Creek Application for Special Use

1. Name of Individual Group responsible for the activity.

Crossroads Walleye Trail, LLC.

2. Location Requested: Boat Ramp / Lake

3. Date and Time of Event April 24th 2022 7:00 am - 3:00pm

4. For what purpose is this activity being planned? Walleye Fishing Club Tournament

5. What is the expected attendance? 20 Teams (40 People)

6. Security will be provided, at organizer expense, by: Club Officers will act as security detail.

Please attach a brief description of security arrangements, listing the agency providing the security, number of officers, and times security will be scheduled.

7. List any food or other vendors included in the planned activity. If vendors are included, list the type of materials to be sold and the names of the vendors. (see vendor section for details)

N/A

8. Please list any additional materials or services which you are requesting for the event. Such as bleachers or stage sections, as there are fees for all delivered park equipment.

N/A

Agreement for Use of City Park Property

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into between the City of Muncie and

Crossroads Walleye Trail, LLC
(User)

The parties mutually desire to reach an understanding that will result in making a city park facility available for use by "User". It is mutually agreed between the parties as follows:

1. The City will make its facility available for use by "User" on APRIL 24, 2022 From 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM, for the following purpose:
Walleye Fishing Tournament on Prairie Creek Reservoir Waters to include Boat Launch.
2. "User" hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Muncie from any and all claims and demands for damages and expense, including court costs and attorneys fees, suffered on account of any fault or omission by "User", or arising from the use and occupation of the City facility, whether due to the City's negligence or not.
3. "User" agrees to use the facility only for the purpose set forth above, and to maintain the facility as good of conditions as "User" finds it.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties hereby execute this Agreement by their duly authorized representatives:

 1/14/2022

(User Signature and Date)

Organizer Name: Chad Martin

Phone Number: 765 969 5747

Email: Crossroadswalleyetrail@gmail.com

Approved by Asley Myrt 1/18/22
(Park Official Signature and Date)

Prairie Creek Application for Special Use

1. Name of Individual Group responsible for the activity.

America Outfitters, Inc. Viking Dash

2. Location Requested: Indigo Hill

Trail Run

3. Date and Time of Event 2.26.2022

4. For what purpose is this activity being planned? Trail Run

5. What is the expected attendance? 700

6. Security will be provided, at organizer expense, by: by organizer

Please attach a brief description of security arrangements, listing the agency providing the security, number of officers, and times security will be scheduled.

7. List any food or other vendors included in the planned activity. If vendors are included, list the type of materials to be sold and the names of the vendors. (see vendor section for details)

Papa John's Pizza

8. Please list any additional materials or services which you are requesting for the event. Such as bleachers or stage sections, as there are fees for all delivered park equipment.

An added dock at the water crossing
near the end of Burlington Drive

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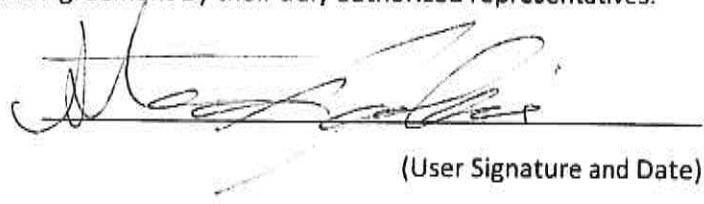
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America MHS-Sport INC
(User)

The parties mutually desire to reach an understanding that will result in making a city park facility available for use by "User". It is mutually agreed between the parties as follows:

1. The City will make its facility available for use by "User" on Feb 25 From 6pm to Feb 26, for the following purpose:
Trail Run hosting Viking Dash
Trail Run Movie
2. "User" hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Muncie from any and all claims and demands for damages and expense, including court costs and attorneys fees, suffered on account of any fault or omission by "User", or arising from the use and occupation of the City facility, whether due to the City's negligence or not.
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(User Signature and Date)

Organizer Name: Steven N. Stankovi

Phone Number: 765-215-6582

Email: Stankovi@comcast.net

Approved by Asley W/ 1/18/22
(Park Official Signature and Date)

Prairie Creek Application for Special Use

1. Name of Individual Group responsible for the activity.

America Multi-sport, Inc.

2. Location Requested: Prairie Creek Park/Holiday Inn rooms

3. Date and Time of Event 10.29.2022

4. For what purpose is this activity being planned? Tri City Run

5. What is the expected attendance? 400

6. Security will be provided, at organizer expense, by: Delaware Co. Sheriff
1 officer all day

Please attach a brief description of security arrangements, listing the agency providing the security, number of officers, and times security will be scheduled.

7. List any food or other vendors included in the planned activity. If vendors are included, list the type of materials to be sold and the names of the vendors. (see vendor section for details)

TBD

8. Please list any additional materials or services which you are requesting for the event. Such as bleachers or stage sections, as there are fees for all delivered park equipment.

None

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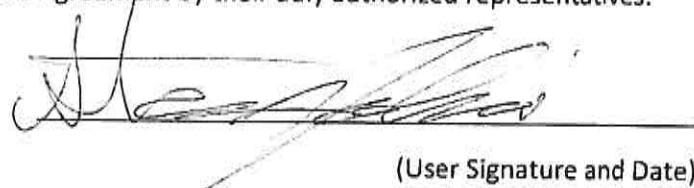
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1. The City will make its facility available for use by "User" on Oct 28 From NOON to Oct 29, for the following purpose:
Viking Dash Trail Run National
Championships
2. "User" hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Muncie from any and all claims and demands for damages and expense. Including court costs and attorneys fees, suffered on account of any fault or omission by "User", or arising from the use and occupation of the City facility, whether due to the City's negligence or not.
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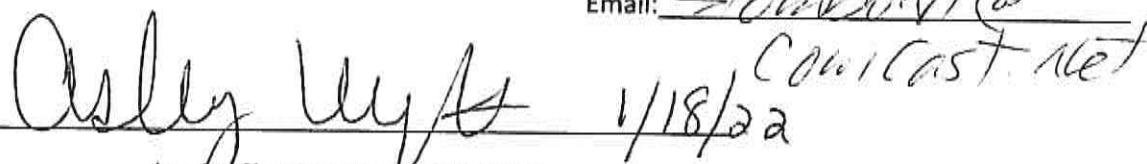

(User Signature and Date)

Organizer Name: Steven N. Tolsoni

Phone Number: 705-215-6582

Email: Stonovi@comcast.net

Approved by


Ashley Myatt 1/18/22 comcast.net
(Park Official Signature and Date)



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Rented To:	Delivery Location:	Ticket#
Muncie Parks Department 1800 S Grant St Muncie IN 47302	New Mower	Bid# 42869
		Loc 100
Ordered by:	PO/Job #	Delivery/Out: 12/20/21 10:29 AM RRO
Phone: W (765) 747-4858		Pick-up/In: 12/21/21 10:29 AM RRO

Qty	Item	Description	4 Hour	Day	Week	4 Week	Discount	Total
1	9997065	Bobcat Mow ZT7000 72" FX1000V			16279.00	-2441.85	13837.15	
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Warranty: 36 month / 2,000 hours

15% Bid Assist Discount

Current Delivery Time (as of 12/20/21): March/April 2022

*** Total Reflects a \$7325.55 Discount ***

I HEREBY WARRANTED AND REPRESENTED THAT THE INDIVIDUAL SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO DO SO ON BEHALF OF THE CUSTOMER BE IT A CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, OR OTHER ENTITY. IT IS FURTHER UNDERSTOOD THAT THE RISK OF LOSS OF THE EQUIPMENT AS WELL AS ANY LIABILITIES WHICH MAY STEM THEREFROM AS IT MAY PERTAIN TO THE LESSOR OR THE CUSTOMER DURING THE TIME THAT THE CUSTOMER HAS POSSESSION OF THE EQUIPMENT STATED HEREIN, SAID RISK OF LOSS SHALL BE THAT OF THE CUSTOMER.

I have read and understand the terms and conditions on both sides of this agreement and certify that those printed in the other side are agreed to as if printed above my signature. There are no oral or other representations not included herein. Unless declined, I also agree to the damage waiver charges. I have received a copy of this agreement.

I acknowledge receipt of the Rented Items listed in this Agreement in good working order and repair and instructions in their safe use and proper operation written and/or verbally.

To pay total amount according to card issuer agreement

Rentals	0.00
Sales	41,511.45
Delivery/Other	0.00
Damage Waiver	0.00
Env. Charges	0.00
Sales Tax	0.00
Total	41,511.45

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TO AVOID EXTRA
CHARGES - MAX USE IS
10 HRS PER DAY CHARGE
RETURN CLEAN

X

RENTAL AGREEMENT CONTRACT

1. Renter has examined and inspected the equipment and accepts the same in its present condition.
2. Renter shall indemnify and hold harmless the owner from the claims, liabilities, losses, damage to property, bodily injury (including death or otherwise) and expenses (including attorney's fees) from all actions, negligent or otherwise, of the customer, their employees, agents and subcontractors.
3. Renter shall not permit the use of such equipment by other persons without owner's consent.
4. Renter agrees to pay for any damage to or loss of the equipment while in his possession other than that occasioned by reasonable use.
5. Renter shall not operate the equipment when in a defective condition, but shall immediately return the same to owner for service. Renter shall provide proper lubrication at necessary times.
6. Renter shall be charged with rent from the time the equipment is removed from owner's premises until the time such equipment is returned to owner's premises. On the return of the equipment, Renter shall pay any rent in excess of the deposit and if the deposit exceeds the rent, owner shall refund the excess to Renter.
7. Owner shall have the privilege of terminating this lease at any time and to take immediate possession of the equipment, and for such purpose owner is authorized to go upon the property of any renter at any time and to secure the return of such equipment without legal process. In the event this lease is terminated in such manner by owner, Renter shall be refunded any unearned rental or be required to pay any charge in excess of the deposit.
8. Renter shall pay all expenses on the road or during the use of trailers and other towed equipment, including the repairs and tow-in, and shall return such equipment to owner without expense to owner. Renter acknowledges that repair and replacement of tires are not included in the rental rate and agrees to pay for the repair or replacement of any tires returned to the owner in a damaged condition, regardless of the cause of the damage, reasonable wear and tear expected.
9. Owner shall be entitled to recover all costs incurred in securing possession of any equipment, and shall be entitled to attorney fees for any action instituted under this lease, all without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.
10. There are no warranties of merchantability or fitness, either expressed or implied.
11. Owner is not liable for damage to Renter's bumper or automobile done by detachable hitches, towbars, or towballs.
12. If you pay the damage waiver charge (DWC) as specified, subject to the limitations and exclusions below, Lessor agrees to modify the terms of this contract and relieve you of liability for accidental damage to the rented item(s) on this contract, and for loss due to fire, collision, windstorm, upset and riot. We exclude from this waiver, however, any loss or damage due to theft, burglary, misuse or abuse, theft by, conversion, intentional damage, mysterious disappearance or other loss due to your failure to care for the rented item(s) as a prudent man would his own property, such as proper lubrication.
13. If you do not accept the damage waiver charge, Lessor will be subject to any and all repair cost to return equipment back to working condition and physical condition, as it was received and accepted by the Lessor.

Why Bobcat Mower?

- Service and parts from a local vendor that's right down the road with decades long relationship with the parks dept.
- Also means no wasted time traveling to out of town competitors for parts or service. This could add to hours of extra down time. More time for mechanics to do what they do best....
- Warranty: Bobcat: 3yr or 2000 hours Exmark: 5yr or 1250/1500
 - might get the added years but for a mower you will surely use hours upon hours...warranty will quickly be gone with the limited hours.
 - Bobcat Extended Warrant (excludes engine and transmission)
 - 1 year, 250 hrs: \$600 or 2 year, 500 hrs: \$1000
- Bobcat has simple to use controls with no added electrical components like Red Equip. Less components to go wrong
- Engine
 - Bobcat: 35 hp Kawasaki engine – carb or EFI
 - Exmark Laser Z S: 25 hp Kawasaki carb or 26 hp Kohler EFI
 - Exmark Laser Z X: 31 hp Kawasaki
- Larger fuel capacity
 - 15 gal vs 12 gal
- Faster travel speeds. Get to one side of the park to the other with 2 speed transmission
- ZT7000 standard EXTRAS:
 - Rotating rear bumper. Easier to service engine without removing additional shrouds.
 - 2 inch hitch receiver built in. Got something small to tow around, sprayers, etc.
 - Larger drive tires: 26 inches vs 24 inches
 - Standard Lights

Park Board Meeting Public Input Sign In Sheet

Date: 1/18/2022

Name (Please Print)

Address

1. Farrah Webb

536 W. Wilson Ave

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