## CITY OF NEW CASTLE PARK BOARD MINUTES

JUNE 1, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Patty Broyles, Sandy Scott, and John Henderson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dave Nantz

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Greg York, Park Superintendent-Mike Bergum, Mayor's Assistant-

Kendra Kennedy, and Clerk-Treasurer-Brenda Grider

Mayor York opened this meeting at 5:30pm.

Mayor York asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the former meeting (February 3, 2020). Patty made a motion to accept the minutes from the former meeting. Second by John. Motion carried (3-0)

# **OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

Patty opened the meeting by thanking Mayor York and Mike for all their efforts in keeping the Board updated with COVID-19.

We are on Red Alert Spending for the Budget. All Budgets City wide are on this spending freeze.

Patty made a motion to withdraw \$1400 from the Pass-Through Fund at the Henry County Community Foundation to help purchase lifeguard supplies. Second by Sandy. Motion carried (3-0)

Patty also noted that Mike has become a member of the Indiana Park and Recreation Association and there is an annual fee to be a part of this organization. Patty made a motion that the fees associated with Mike's membership be withdrawn from the Pass-Through Fund, as well. Second by John. Motion carried (3-0).

Osborne Park and Hospital Heights basketball courts are nearly completed. The asphalt will be completed by the end of this week, weather permitting. The Bowers Family Endowment at the Henry County Community Foundation has graciously donated \$3400.00 to help finish the basketball courts.

There may also be grants available in August that the board will look into for other pending projects.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor York stated that the pool has weathered over the past several years and maintenance will be required at the end of this season in preparation for the 2021 season. We will need to have estimates for these pool repairs.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mike gave an update on Governor Holcomb's "Back on Track" schedule of opening dates for the parks. The playgrounds are still closed at this time. The pool is scheduled to open on June 14<sup>th</sup> at half capacity. The splash pad will not be open this year. Social distancing will be practiced as well as sanitizing and cleaning all areas of the pool.

We currently have 34 lifeguards on deck to start this pool season. We have not announced an official closing date, as of yet.

### **CITIZEN CONCERNS**

Scott Frost noted that he currently administers the Facebook page for the Henry County Convention & Visitors Bureau and there was a post regarding Baker Park that was shared and there were over 12,000 views. This just confirms that the community is very interested in our parks and all the efforts being made to beautify our amenities.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:05PM, NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JULY 6, 2020.