**Parks and Recreation Board Meeting**

**October 28, 2019**

**Call to Order and Roll Call**-Kim Pearson

**Members Present:** Kim Pearson-Chair, Ann Kloc, Susie Highley-Vernon Township Library, Branden Williams-Council Liaison, Summer Harper

**Members Absent**

**Others Present**: Tonya Galbraith-Town Manager, Ryan Crum-Director of Planning and Building

**Approval of Minutes**

-**June 10, 2019 Minutes**- motion was made by Ms. Highley to approve the June 10, 2019 meeting minutes. Second by Ms. Harper and passed with vote of 4/0

**-August 12, 2019 Minutes-** motion was made by Ms. Highley to approve the August 12, 2019 minutes. Second was made by Ms. Kloc and passed with vote of 4/0

**Discussion on Potential Park Sites- Chuck Lehman**

Presentation was made by Chuck Lehman of potential park sites. The evaluation study document is available.

Mr. Bryan Burney of Champion Lakes gave comment to the Board that they should consider the property north of Champion Lakes and east of the school as a potential park. The board recommended that further analysis be done on the following sites: #1, #2, #7 and #11. Motion was made by Ms. Harper to recommend to Town Council for further analysis. Second was made by Ms. Kloc and passed with a 4/0 vote.

**Township Park-Flory May, Vernon Township Trustee**

Ms. Flory May made a proposition to the Board for the acquisition of a Vernon Township Park. Old School Park across from the cemetery on 600N is owned by the Township but could benefit from being under the Town’s control.

Question were presented on whether this would fulfill park deficiencies. Staff will work on this possibility and report at a future meeting.

**Bike/Ped Plan Update-Ryan Crum** This report from Mr. Crum is not complete but an update was made. This will be sent out when completed. Council will see this in November then it will go onto the Planning Commission.

**Creekside Trail Letter of Support-Ryan Crum**

Mr. Crum informed the Board that this is a grant opportunity. A true 80/20 on a 1.75-mile trail. Mr. Crum is requesting input and can answer questions. He is requesting a letter of support to create the 4-mile loop. Motion was made by Ms. Highley to approve signing of the letter of support. Second by Ms. Harper and passed 4/0. Ms. Kloc signed the letter of support.

**Impact Fee Review Board-Chuck Lehman**

This review Board will consist of Patrick Bragg, Mark Witsman and Travis Rivers. The role of the Board will be to analyze the request by Clover Communities and decide whether to do all or a percentage. This decision will set a precedent for the town. They will meet regarding the request to appeal the Impact fee for an exemption. A review meeting is scheduled for November 6 at 4pm.

**2020 Building a Brighter McCordsville Grant**

The Town of McCordsville was informed that they would be given a grant of $690. The Park Board should plan on how to use this money. Discussion will continue later.

**Events**

**-Report on 5K**

Ms. Galbraith reported that the 5K was a huge success. We were able to add a contribution of $4000 to Hancock County Community Fund for the Building a Brighter McCordsville fund.

**-Report on Trunk or Treat**

Because of the rain on the day of this event, the Trunk or Treat was moved inside. All vendors showed up and there were lots of kids.

-Upcoming Tree Lighting- December 4th at 5:30

School music groups are coming to perform. Santa will be in attendance and an Elf will be chosen to light the tree. Refreshments will be available. Volunteers are needed for this event.

**Old Business**

**-Impact Fee Revenue Update**

Mr. Crum informed the Board that there is $83,200 available now due to the Impact Fee

**-Board Member Selection**

All members of the Board agreed to select Justin Bastin out of the possible candidates. Motion was made by Ms. Harper to make a recommendation to the Town Council to approve Mr.

Bastin as a member of the Parks and Recreation Board. Second by Ms. Highley and approved 4/0. Ms. Galbraith will contact Mr. Bastin so he can attend the Town Council meeting.

**New Business**

**-Kidz Market**-Ann Kloc

Possibility of this event in 2020. Kid Entrepreneurs can make and sell their products. This could easily coincide with another event.

**-Mutt Strutt**-Ann Kloc

This is also an idea presented to the Board as a possible event in 2020

**Next Meeting**-Monday December 9, 2019 at 6pm

**Adjourn**

Motion was made by Ms. Harper to adjourn. Second by Ms. Highley and approved with a vote of 4/0