

MINUTES

PARK BOARD MEETING
FIREMENS BUILDING
March 17, 2015, 5:15 P.M.

The Warsaw Parks & Recreation Board met for its monthly meeting on March 17, 2015 at 5:15 PM at the Firemens Building. Attendance was noted as follows:

PRESENT: Board Members Bill Baldwin, Steve Haines, Michelle Boxell, Larry Ladd & Council Representative Diane Quance. Also present: Park Superintendent Larry Plummer, Jr., Maintenance Director Shaun Gardner, Recreation Director Liz McKinley & Secretary Sheila Wieringa.

ABSENT: Board Member Rick Paczkowski

GUESTS: Jay Michaels, Willie 103.5; Carl Sowers, Young Tigers Football; Anna Burke & Heather James, Northern Indiana Lakes Festival; Danielle Brown.

CALL TO ORDER: Board President Baldwin called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes were approved on a motion by Board Member Haines, seconded by Board Member Boxell, all in favor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Carl Sowers with Young Tiger Football presented the Board with additional information regarding purchasing lights which are currently installed at the CCAC. He has a quote from a local contractor for installation, is beginning to look for sponsorship and donations for the initial purchase of the lights and to equip the lights with new LED bulbs, which will make the lights more cost effective to run. He will report back to the Board when progress has been made.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jay Michaels, representing Willie 103.5, requested permission from the Board to hold their annual "Willie Chili Dogs in the Park" events in 2015. Proposed dates for use of the West Shelter at Central Park are May 20, June 17, July 22, August 19 & September 16. Motion to approve by Board Member Ladd, seconded by Board Member Haines, all in favor.

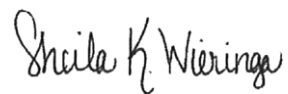
Danielle Brown came before the Board to request permission to hold an event in Central Park in memory of Ava Sizemore on June 6th, 2015. During the event she would like to do a raffle and release balloons. The Board members voiced concerns regarding the environmental impact of the balloons and asked Ms. Brown to gather more information and readdress the Board when it has been obtained.

Anna Burke & Heather James of Kosciusko County Lakes & Streams requested permission from the Board to hold the annual Northern Indiana Lakes Festival in Central Park on Saturday, June 20, 2015. She stated the event will be spread out over 3 weekends this year, beginning June 5th at First Friday, June 13th at Winona Lake and concluding June 20th at Central Park. Motion to approve by Board Member Boxell, seconded by Board Member Ladd, all in favor.

In other matters, the summer concerts have all been contracted & announced. The department will begin updating the recreation guide this week and hope to have it back from the printer by the week of April 20th. Also, more sponsorships have been secured.

There being no further matters to come before the board, the meeting was adjured on a motion by Board Member Haines, seconded by Board Member Boxell, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sheila K. Wieringa". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S'.

Sheila Wieringa
Secretary