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The Park Board of the Town of St. John met on this date with the following members present:

Attendee 1, Jim Thiel, President	Attendee 4, William Tuley, Town Board
Attendee 2, Eileen Jernberg	Attendee 5,
Attendee 3,	Attendee 6

The following members absent:

Absent 1, Elaine Pietrzak	Absent 4
Absent 2, Eugene Smith, Town Board	Absent 5
Absent 3, Richard Spring	Absent 6

A special meeting of the Department of Parks and Recreation for the Town of St. John, Indiana was held on February 6, 1973 to meet with Mr. Jim Peterson of Indiana University. Mr. Peterson was called in for this special meeting to give us information on obtaining federal funds.

Mr. Peterson informed us that two (2) things were needed before funds could be applied for. The first we already have and that is a Park Board (created under 1965 law). The second thing is a Master Plan of the community, including Parks and Recreation. When we have the Master Plan, it is to be submitted to the State, and when approved, we can then apply for matching funds.

Listed below are several things he mentioned that we might keep in mind:

- The minimum project before application can be made is \$5,000.00, with ourselves putting up the first \$2,500.00.
- If land is donated to the Park Department, we are not to take title to it immediately. The equity of this land could be used for matching funds, there application is to be made before title to the land is taken.

- The same holds true for any equipment, which is to be put into the park. The equity value of the equipment can be used for our share of the matching funds, therefore application is to be made before accepting gifts for the Park.
- After application, it can be expected to take from three (3) to six (6) months to get any funds.

The following names were given to use that might give us assistance in this matter:

Bureau of Outdoor Recreation
Mr. Bill Walters, Director
Room 512
State Office Building
Indianapolis, Indiana / Phone (219) 317-663-4677)

Virginia Eckhart is Mr. Walter's Assistant

The Lake County Plan Commission

Mr. Paul Wharton, County Extension Agent
Court House Annex
Crown Point, Indiana

Dennis Harney
County Park Board Director
Crown Point, Indiana

Mr. Jernberg announced that the Junior Women's Club of St. John was donating \$50.00 to the Park Department and wished to know how to make out the check.

Mr. Tuley said that he would suggest that the Town Board establish an ordinance creating a non-reverting capital fund for the Town's Park and Recreation Board. Any monetary gifts designated for public parks would be deposited in this account.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Eileen Jernberg
Acting Secretary