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

Attendee 1, Richard Spring, President	Attendee 4, Eugene Smith, Town Board
Attendee 2, Eileen Jernberg	Attendee 5, Betty L. Siedelmann, Clerk-Treasurer
Attendee 3, Elaine Pietrzak	Attendee 6,

The following members absent:

Absent 1, James Thiel	Absent 4
Absent 2,	Absent 5
Absent 3,	Absent 6

The regular meeting of the Department of Parks and Recreation for the Town of St. John, Indiana was held on Monday, October 22, 1973, with three members in attendance. Also present were Mr. Eugene Smith, Town Trustee and Mrs. Betty Siedelmann, Town Clerk-Treasurer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the September meeting were read and approved as read.

Mr. Spring made the following announcements:

1. The basketball court in Larimer Park has been staked out in a 30-foot by 40-foot area. It will be graded with a base of 6" of stone and is to be blacktopped when the school has its blacktopping done. However, before this can be done, a curb or pier has to be made and the problem is to find someone to do this.
2. The landscaping is still at a standstill.

- The \$14,000.00 talked about previously will be made available to use from Revenue Sharing money.

Upon announcement about the Revenue Sharing money, Mrs. Siedelmann advised us not to count on it too heavily because the State has frozen the Town's tax base, and the Town will be forced to use said money to meet the Town's budget. She then proceeded to tell us of the problems involved in arriving at the tax base figures and explained that law enforcement and fire protection have fire priority under Revenue Sharing allocations. Mr. Spring pointed out that to her and to Mr. Smith that at the rate the Park Board is being given any monies at all, the Board is at a complete standstill. Our hands are tied as far as acquiring or developing any park property and it looks as if we will have to continue depending on the Town's civic organizations for help.

The meeting was then turned over to Mrs. Siedelmann, who explained to us that her main reason for being here was to explain how the balance of our budget for this year stands. She said we have a balance of \$661.61 remaining, and in December (included already in the \$661.61 remaining), we will be receiving a tax draw of \$495.01 (based on collection of 100% of taxes), plus \$86.00 from the vehicle fund. This is the way the budget looks:

	BUDGETED	SPENT
Wages	\$250.00	\$45.00
Electric	\$100.00	\$42.00
Insurance	\$50.00	-0-
Properties	\$700.00	\$418.93*

*(includes: culvert of \$203.28, tap-in fee of \$150.00, flags of \$28.99 and misc. of \$9.66)

Mrs. Siedelmann explained that funds can be transferred from one to another in the budget allocations, and any monies we have left over at the end of the year can be encumbered with a letter of intent or a purchase order.

The members of the Board thanked Mrs. Siedelmann for attending our meeting and said this greatly cleared up some of the questions that were in our minds.

A motion was made by Mrs. Pietrzak and seconded by Mrs. Jernberg that we change the time of our regular meeting to 7:30 p.m. instead of 7:00 p.m. The motion was voted on and carried. The newspaper reporter in attendance was asked to make mention of this change in the newspaper.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned until November 26, 1973 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Elaine Pietrzak

Secretary