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

Attendee 1, Elaine Pietrzak	Attendee 4,
Attendee 2, Eileen Jernberg	Attendee 5,
Attendee 3, Gerald Hancock	Attendee 6,

The following members absent:

Absent 1, Richard Spring, President	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 April 28, 1975. Mr. Hancock conducted the meeting in the absence of Mr. Spring.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 24, 1975 meeting were read and approved as read. The Board was informed that the Park was actually cleaned by two Brownie Troops from Town, rather than the Cub Scouts as stated in the minutes.

Mrs. Durochik, who will direct our Summer Recreation Program, gave her report on the program thus far. She stated that she had changed the program somewhat and has decided that instead of having just crafts for the children, she would divide the day into three different periods consisting of crafts, songs and games, with three different leaders in each section. She has selected ten different crafts that can be completed in one day and between four and six that will take a day or two to complete. One day will be devoted to tie-dyeing and another to art lessons from a Mr. Thiery, an art teacher in Town, who has agreed to donate his time to this project. Some of the crafts will involve bringing supplies from home. Mrs. Sid Pettigrew, Mrs. Lyle Ternes, and Mrs. Pete Evans have agreed to help Mrs. Durochik, and Mrs. Ott, and art teacher from the school,

has agreed to be there whenever she can. Mrs. Durochik also mentioned that there is a seminar for summer recreation directors in Michigan City, which costs \$40.00 for a two day session, however, she said that she realizes that we are working on a tight budget and she really didn't think her attendance would be necessary.

The Board thanked Mrs. Durochik for her report and the subject of her salary was brought up. Mrs. Pietrzak mentioned that since we had allowed \$200.00 for the entire Summer Program, and since we are charging \$2.50 per child, which will cover the costs of the supplies, that we allow the entire \$200.00 for her salary. The matter was tabled until more is heard concerning our final budget for the year.

An account for handling funds for the program was discussed, and it was thought that a separate checking account should be set up and this matter will be taken up with the Town Clerk-Treasurer.

Mrs. Pietrzak submitted a bill for \$10.28 for the printing of the fliers for the Summer Program that she had paid herself.

Gerald Hancock reported on the bike route. The route has been submitted, and it will be included in the bike route pamphlet. He is presently working on obtaining signs for the route.

Mr. Hancock also reported that the parking project for the Park has come to a halt because costs for the project are completely out of our reach with our present budget, the pipe alone costing \$1,600.00.

Mr. Hancock reported that there is a possibility that Security Federal Savings & Loan Association will lease us some empty property adjacent to Civic Club Park, which could be used for baseball practice.

Mrs. Jernberg reported that the Jaycees will give us money for the picnic tables so that we can purchase them from the State Prison.

Mrs. Pietrzak mentioned that the Lions Club asked what the Park needs, and she suggested perhaps a tennis court. No amount of money was mentioned by the Lions, so she has no way of knowing what kind of money they were thinking of spending, but the possibility of asking them for the cash and using it to apply for a federal grant for developmental purposes was discussed. Mr. Hancock will go to the Park to see if putting in a tennis court would be feasible.

A letter was read from the Department of Natural Resources, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, announcing an all-day seminar in South Bend to be held on May 28, 1975. The seminar will concentrate on the application instructions and grant requirements for federal funds. All three members thought it would be a good idea for all to attend, and at the present time all three members who were present are planning to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Elaine Pietrzak
Secretary