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

Attendee 1, Ronald Estep	Attendee 4, Carolyn Walsko
Attendee 2, Richard Spring	Attendee 5,
Attendee 3, Bernie Ducat	Attendee 6,

The following members absent:

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Ronald Estep.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

A proposal has been received from Wilson Construction for the building of a concrete pad at Larimer Park, estimated cost of \$1,150.00. The Board already approved Wilson Construction to do the work and were waiting for the written proposal.

Dirt Fill – Dirt is presently being dumped at all the requested locations, but not enough dirt is being dumped.

Mr. Estep talked to the Town and the Sewer Inspector, Mr. O'Day. Arrangements have now been made to continue dumping dirt until all the locations are brought up to the required level.

Dick Thiel Property – Mr. Estep indicated we would have to enter into a long-term lease for this property if we are going to continue using the land. Preferably a five-year lease is desired.

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

- A. Summer Program – Nothing to report.
- B. Winter Program – Dick Spring said he would have details for ski program at the November meeting.
- C. Volleyball Program – Bernie Ducat made the motion that the Park Board pick up the cost of \$150.00 for participants to play volleyball at the Kolling School gym. The motion was seconded by Ron Estep. The motion was passed unanimously.
- D. Fitness Program – Ron Estep has cancelled the “Run for Fun” due to lack of participation. The YWCA of Schererville is still participating in the fitness program. Any women interested in participating in their program can contact the YWCA in Schererville.
- E. Budget – Ron Estep reported that the Park Board has \$12,115.24 left in the budget.
- F. Park Maintenance – Dick Spring had nothing to report.
- G. Public Relations – Carolyn Walsko had nothing to report.
- H. Liaison to Town Board – Ron Estep had nothing to report.
- I. Softball & Baseball – Bernie Ducat had nothing to report.
- J. Senior Citizens – Richard Spring has not gotten in touch with the Highland Park Board to get details on their program. Dick wants to get a bus for some trips for senior citizens.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ron Estep said there is a large track of land in town that may be for sale. The cost of the land is about \$400,000.00 for 77 acres. The Board was in favor of pursuing the land. The land could be the main park for the entire Town.

### **PAYING OF BILLS**

Carolyn Walsko made the motion that the bills be paid, seconded by Ron Estep. It was passed unanimously.

### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

The question was raised as to how the Board is going to raise \$400,000.00 to buy the 77 acres of land in town. Ron Estep said we could maybe apply for a grant or some type of bonding.

It was brought up again that the Park Board has presented to the Plan Commission of St. John, a Land Dedication Ordinance. We have not heard from the Plan Commission since the first of the year.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Bernie Ducat made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Carolyn Walsko. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Carolyn Walsko  
Secretary