

St. John Park Board Meeting Minutes  
October 22, 2002

Trustees:

Barb Zivat, Vice President

Rhuben Pittman, Member at Large

Joan Millis, Member at Large

Dave Wickland, Town Attorney

Bob Pharazyn, Director of Public Works

Kristie Aldridge, Town Council Liaison

Steve Kil, Town Manager

1. CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m., with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. ROLL CALL – In attendance were Barb Zivat, Rhuben Pittman, Joan Millis, Dave Wickland, and Bob Pharazyn. Absent Kristie Aldridge and Steve Kil.
3. APPROVE OR AMEND THE MINUTES – Ms. Millis made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2002, Park Board Meeting, seconded by Mr. Pittman. Motion carried.
4. OLD BUSINESS
  - a. St. John Heartland Park
    - 1.) Ball Fields update

Mr. Pharazyn reported that the work is proceeding. Outfields have been graded and seeded. Sod has been put on the infield. Dugouts are being constructed. Some discussion ensued concerning the color of the fence. Mr. Wickland suggested that he or a member of the Park Board come to the Town Council Meeting to raise the issue concerning the fence.
    - 2.) Softball

Mr. Pharazyn reported that the fields are done for the most part. They just need to install the benches.
  - b. Five Year Master Plan (renewal) – update

Mr. Wickland reported that he had reviewed the draft dated October 3, 2002, and he didn't think it necessary to include or attach the open space standards as set forth in the example that they gave us. Mr. Wickland sent it to Ken Krause and talked to Steve Kil. The Park Board has no jurisdiction over the subdivision control ordinance. Some discussion ensued. **A motion was made by Ms. Millis to give Mr. Wickland permission to go ahead and have a Public Hearing on November 26, 2002. Seconded by Mr. Pittman. Motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS CONT'D.

c. Bike Trail

Mr. Wickland reported that the last leg to acquire was owned by Mr. O'Day. Mr. Wickland reported that Mr. O'Day is selling the property to a developer and some problems arose with regard to the extension of Hedwig Drive, also the construction of a road next to or adjacent to the bike trail, that is a perspective road that everybody anticipates this developer building. Mr. Wickland prepared a Deed of Dedication, which simply dedicates the property. Mr. O'Day has signed it. Mr. O'Day's lawyer has modified the easements that Mr. Wickland has prepared and he just received the final drafts and basically we are giving Mr. O'Day and easement back or in return to extend Hedwig Drive over the bike trail if and when that property develops. We are also allowing him a construction easement next to the bike path to build a road in the future. Mr. Wickland also stated that the Town Council should approve these items at their regular meeting and the Park Board should be done.

5. NEW BUSINESS – Nothing to report.

6. REPORTS

a. Programs

Mr. Pharazyn stated that the Halloween Party is set for Wednesday.

Mr. Wickland reported that at last month's meeting, Ms. Millis suggested that he take a look at the Independent Contractor Agreement that the Park Board will sign with the basketball instructor. Mr. Wickland suggested a few changes in Ms. Millis's document in a letter. **Mr. Pittman made a motion to accept the agreement with the independent contractors with the changes that Mr. Wickland proposed for men's basketball. Seconded by Ms. Millis. Motion carried.**

7. PAYMENT OF BILLS

**Mr. Pittman made a motion to approve the bills from #1175 through #1185. Seconded by Ms. Millis. Motion carried.**

8. ANY AND ALL BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Mr. Pittman introduced Brian Sandborn who is going to be the maintenance superintendent for boy's baseball.

Ms. Zivat received a few more plagues from the Schererville Soccer Club, which will be put in the display case.

9. ADJOURNMENT

**Ms. Millis made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Pittman. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted

Kathleen Falaschetti