



Town of Speedway
Parks and Recreation Board

Meeting of April 22, 2019
Minutes

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Vincent Ash
Denny Pelley
Trent Theobald
Crystal DeVault

Town Employees Tammy Smith

Special Session Meeting: Discussion of Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant application for Leonard Park Improvements Project

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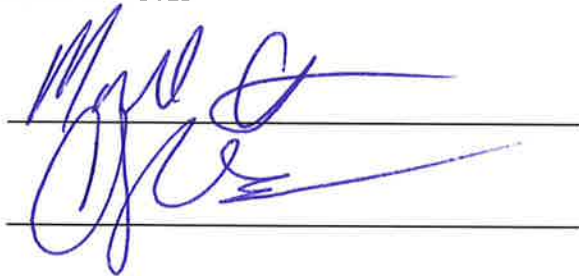
1. Call Meeting to Order: Meeting called to order by Vincent at 6:00pm
2. Attendance and Determination of Quorum: Quorum was determined with 4 members present. Vincent Ash, Trent Theobald, Crystal DeVault and Denny Pelly.
3. Adoption of Agenda: Denny made a motion to accept the agenda. Trent seconded the motion. Agenda was adopted by a vote of 4-0.
4. Guests:
 - a. Luke Kessler, Kieser Consulting Group, LLC: Explained, with the help of John Ellison, about what the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund grant program is about and the requirements for the application.
 - b. John Ellison, Kieser Consulting Group, LLC: With the help of Luke Kessler, explained the LWCF grant application process and Speedway Parks' potential eligibility.
 - c. Greg Smith, Speedway Resident: In attendance to hear about the grant and potential improvements. Acknowledged his support of Speedway Parks and this grant being a good thing for the improvements needed in Leonard Park.
5. Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant Program
 - i. Luke and John explained the main reason for today's meeting which is to get Board approval for the initial expenses of conducting an environmental impact study, which is a requirement of the LWCF grant application. The initial expenses may be up to \$4700. In addition to the environmental, Kieser Consulting Group with guide Speedway Parks regarding requirements needed, putting the application together, help determine the preliminary idea of what Speedway Parks wants to get done, and submit the preliminary plan with the application. Tammy added the Leonard Park Improvement Project plans are based on improvements described in the 5-year Master Plan approved in 2017, which is due to expire January 2022. One of the first and foremost requirements of the LWCF grant is having a valid Master Plan. A lot of money was spent on this, and it's just going to waste if we don't act on this

opportunity. John discussed that Federal guidelines have to be followed since this is a Federal grant. The application will be submitted to Indiana DNR for initial approval. Once approval is granted on the State level, then it has to go to the Federal level for final approval.

- ii. Tammy confirmed her conversation with Wendell Walters, Public Works Director, and Monty Combs, Clerk Treasurer for the Town of Speedway, that \$250,000 funds are available for the necessary match if grant is awarded favorably. Crystal asked if we asked for the full \$250,000 amount, would it be awarded in its entirety or could they award a lesser amount. John indicated they typically award the amount requested. He added the goal is to invigorate our parks systems.
 - iii. Vince asked for public comment. Greg Smith acknowledged his support of Speedway Parks and the necessary improvements needed, especially in Leonard Park. He complimented on Speedway Parks Board doing a good job.
 - iv. Vince made a motion to approve the \$4700 initial expenses in order to move forward with the LWCF grant application. Crystal seconded. Vote of 4-0 approving the initial \$4700 expense for the necessary requirements needed for the LWCF grant application.
6. Good of the Order:
7. Adjournment: Vincent motioned to adjourn meeting. Denny seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:37p.

Minutes prepared by Tammy Smith.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES



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