



ZIONSVILLE
PARKS & RECREATION

Zionsville Board of Parks & Recreation

Meeting Minutes

For

Wednesday, June 8, 2022

At 7:00 P.M. EST

ONSITE MEETING

1100 West Oak Street

In Attendance: John Stehr, President, Jill Pack, Vice President, John Wollenberg, Tim Casady, John Salewicz, Sarah Moore, Kris Barksdale

Staff attending: Superintendent Jarod Logsdon, Attorney Amy Noonung, John Emery with IT

OPENING

Call to Order/Roll Call

Stehr All right, we're going to go ahead and get started. Thank you everybody for being here today. This is the, uh, Zionsville Board of Parks and Recreation regular meeting scheduled for June 8th. We, uh, thank you all for being here and we're going to begin by taking the roll.

Uh, Vice President, Jill Pack?

Pack Here.

Stehr Secretary, John Wollenberg?

Wollenberg Here.

Stehr Tim Casady?

Casady Here.

Stehr John Salewicz?

Salewicz Here.

Stehr Sarah Moore?

Moore Here.

Stehr Kris Barksdale?

Barksdale Here.

Approval of the May 11, 2022 Minutes

Stehr All right. We have full attendance tonight and we're going to begin with the approval of the minutes. Uh, has everyone had a chance to look at the minutes from the last meeting? Any corrections or concerns? Now before we, uh, vote to accept those, let me just ask – this is, we're like six months now into using this sort of transcript format rather than a more traditional minutes format. Is there anybody that wants to discuss that? Uh, any questions or concerns about that? Do you like it the way it is?

Moore I like it when it's separated.

Casady Yeah.

Moore And otherwise I think it takes, you know, it saves somebody having to, to do that work and that's nice.

Stehr Okay. All right, then do I have a motion to accept the minutes for, uh, the May 11th meeting?

Barksdale Motion to accept the minutes.

Stehr Kris Barksdale makes a motion. Do I have a second?

Wollenberg Second.

Stehr All in favor – John Wollenberg says, uh, gives us a second. All in favor say aye.

All Aye.

Approval of the May 11, 2022 Executive Session Minutes

Stehr All right, the minutes are accepted unanimously. Now the next item on the agenda is the approval of the Executive Session Memorandum. The Executive Session we had, uh, at our, before our last meeting and, um, Amy, explain to me why we have to do that. Instead of me trying to explain it all to you, I'll just have her do it since she's sitting right here.

Nooning Sure.

Stehr So why do we need to do this?

Nooning Well, although the vast majority of your meetings are in public, you know, the law allows you to hold closed door executive sessions to discuss particular subjects. Um, you did hold an executive session in this past month to discuss pending litigation or, um, potential litigation the, the initiation of potential litigation and so, after you've held an executive session we don't take minutes during executive session because those conversations are not public but the law does require us to sign a memorandum of the executive session just certifying that the executive session was held, who was in attendance and particularly that no other subject matter was discussed in the executive session other than what was advertised to be discussed, so.

Stehr Okay. Everybody understand that? Any questions? Do we have a motion to, uh, accept the session memorandum and approve it?

Salewicz I'll make a motion to accept the memorandum.

Stehr John Salewicz makes the motion. Do we have a second?

Pack Second.

Stehr Jill Pack seconds. Uh, all in favor say aye.

Public Presentations/Comments

All Aye. All right, let's let the record show that that was approved unanimously. All right, the next item on the agenda is Public Presentations or Comments and we do have some people in the room tonight. Does anybody have anything that, uh, they would like to say at this time? Going once, going twice.

Inaudible off microphone 12:39

Stehr Can you please come up to the microphone, please? And if you wouldn't mind, just give us your name and address and. Thank you.

Ohab Fyzal Ohab, owner of City Wide Paving, 4440 South High School Road, Indianapolis, Indiana Suite A.

Stehr Great.

Ohab Um, I apologize we're not the meeting for today but I'd like to please get on for next meeting unless prior to that we can get something resolved on the work that we've did on the golf course without, uh, we haven't been paid and there's some discussion on some change orders that the Board has not seen to get approved. We've pushed through, did the work regardless of the approval and just trying to hopefully, if we don't get paid, we'd like to be on for next month's minutes before then.

Stehr Okay. Well we can certainly get, get that on the agenda for the next meeting.

Ohab Okay. Thanks.

Pathways Committee Update

Stehr Okay, thank you. Anyone else? All right, then we'll, uh, go ahead and, uh, go on to the Pathways Committee update, uh, Sarah Moore is our Pathways Committee representative and she has an, an update for us. Sarah.

Moore I have a, a small update. Um, we helped with the, um, family fun ride, um, so we helped with that and the Pathways Committee is also working on recertifying as a bikeable community and they would like to still work on getting certified as a walkable community. Um, and then I think the final part of what they wanted me to communicate was that they would like to have the, um, pathways and trails, um, study updated. They just wanted to – that was a minute Jarod had said might be in the future for, say next year, and they wanted to communicate that they were very interested in, that we are, very interested in having that done and supporting that however we can.

Stehr Okay. Anybody have any questions for Sarah concerning the Pathways Committee? I've noticed some new, uh, crosswalks around town that, uh, I'm sure they've had some influence on in getting those done.

Moore I think that might be the Pedestrian Mobility and Access Committee.

Stehr So a separate committee?

Moore Yes.

Stehr Do they communicate with one another?

Moore They – not as far as I know but –

Stehr Oh.

Moore That might be happening.

Stehr All right, thank you. Um, next month we'll hear from, uh, Jill on, uh, what's happening at the Zionsville Parks Foundation at this time. So thank you for that, Sarah. Um, all right, I guess we'll move on to Staff Reports then and, uh, we start with our Superintendent, Jarod Logsdon. Jarod.

Staff Reports

Logsdon Good evening and thank you. Uh, just three quick updates to pull from the staff report. Um, so, uh, we had the ribbon cutting for Overley-Worman Park last month and we were happy to welcome the public to the mountain bike, uh, trails as well as some walking trails and the fishing pond. Anyone that's been out there can see that it is not yet complete. Unfortunately, we did have some supply chain issues, um, on the west side of the park so that has been closed from the culvert over and, unfortunately, that is our disc golf course. I know, uh, John is eager to get out there and get the first ace on that course, so. We are working with the contractor each day to continue to, uh, make progress and resolve that supply chain issue and get that paved and opened up to the community. So I appreciate the community's patience while we wait on the parking lot, the playground and also the disc golf to come online. We also have, uh, some best wishes to, uh, send out and that is for Greg Dickenson and Rick Hypes. Greg, our Director of Maintenance, um, wanted to get back in the field and pick up on some restoration projects he started in Brownsburg so he, uh, is no longer with the Town and has now moved back to Brownsburg to work on those legacy projects he had there. Um, Rick,

after 10 years with the department has decided to move on to a new adventure as well so we wish him the best and we are actively recruiting for both of those positions, so. And finally, the last update, uh, which I think everyone is pretty excited for – the golf course will be opening Saturday to the public so, uh, the cart paths were finally placed at the golf course last week, uh, the paving was finished, today hydroseeding was complete on about 80% of the course and that'll wrap up through the rest of the week so we're excited to finally get the course open and welcome back the community. Mike and his team have been, uh, busy during this off season. Uh, the outside of the clubhouse was painted, inside there were renovations to the restrooms and everything is looking great for that Saturday opening. So we're excited to welcome the community back.

Stehr Obviously a high level of interest in this and, um, are we ready, Mike, to just pick up and run? Are we good to go with everything and, you know, try to catch up with what we've already lost and pick up where we left off last year?

Casady Will you be doing a communication this week, a formal one?

Logsdon Yep, tomorrow we'll –

Casady Tomorrow?

Logsdon Release the word officially through our social media channels and the foreUP emailing system that all golfers have to register for, so. We will get the word out.

Stehr And we, we have had a couple of communications – yes sir?

?? Um, I've been a long term, my wife and I, uh, she's a passholder. Do we know what the issues are refund-wise for that?

Logsdon Yep. We spoke internally and to our season passholders. We will be offering a, a 25% rebate back to those season passholders. The pass is still valid for this year and anyone who wishes to, uh, purchase a pass for the remaining season would also receive that 25% discount. So, we wanted to make that whole as well.

Stehr I, I was beginning to say that we've had some communication from several, uh, interested parties, uh, in the, in the golf course and, uh, for the most part that communication has been respectful. I mean, obviously, people are disappointed that the course isn't open yet but, um, you know,

it never I don't think reached a point where it was inappropriate communication or, you know, angry communication. Um, you know, we understand the concern, we understand the people are interested in it and, you know, for, from my point of view the, the buck stops here. If there's a problem with, uh, the course not being open until now that's on the Parks Board and, uh, we take responsibility for that and I do think that, um, golfers will be pleased with what they see. Uh, it, it looks nice, it looks good and, and hopefully we have a, a golf course that's going to be in great shape for years to come, so. Appreciate your patience to the extent that you've all been patient and, uh, I hope that we can all have good feelings about it going forward. Yes sir?

?? I'm curious – the season lasts for eight months, we've lost three but seeing **inaudible off microphone 19:56**. Last year we lost from October 10th to _____ 20:06 the course closed the Sunday after Thanksgiving. The year before that we lost three months and there was no consideration for those of us who had bought season tickets **_____ . 20:19**

Stehr Yeah.

?? **_____ inaudible off microphone 20:22**, uh, so I'm somewhat curious as to why we're getting a 25% discount because **_____ . 20:29**

Stehr Well none of this is set in stone, right? We, we can still, uh, make adjustments to that, uh, if, if need be.

Logsdon Absolutely.

Stehr But, again, I just want you to know that we, we accept the responsibility for this and, and –

?? I'm not being critical.

Stehr I know. But we'll, we'll do what, we'll do what we need to do to make it, to make it right for everybody.

?? Well that would be appreciated.

Stehr We will, we will do that. Yes ma'am?

?? Is the path from 8 to 9 down the hill complete? Is that paved now?

Logsdon Yes. That, that was paved last week as well. Uh, changing the grade so it's not quite as steep, it's more level and a better ride, a little bit safer to travel.

?? We can see everything else but that.

Stehr Yeah.

Logsdon Tucked away on the hill? Yep.

Stehr I think he's underselling it. It's not just a little better ride down, it's significantly better and it's, it's a significant improvement.

?? **inaudible off microphone. 21:21**

Stehr Yeah, yeah.

?? **inaudible off microphone 21:24** hopefully they'll get the parking lot done tomorrow?

Logsdon Yep. So the, uh, the parking lot will likely be done, uh, June 17th on a Friday so we will have to close for one day next week but after that it'll be open season.

?? **inaudible off microphone 21:39**

Logsdon Right. We're going to open up this Saturday.

Casady A credit to Mike and his, uh, grounds crew. The, yeah, part of the problem is it looks go great, the fairways and tee boxes and greens that you just want to, you want to be on it, uh, so thank you, Mike, for, uh, keeping it in such great shape over the last couple months. Improving, actually, improving the shape of the course.

Stehr And hopefully you'll appreciate the upgrades in the clubhouse too. The upgrades inside and outside as well. So, we just hope it's going to be a better experience for everybody all the way around when it, when it finally does open this weekend.

?? **inaudible off microphone 22:16**

Stehr Yes?

?? Kudos to Mike and his crew out there. Those guys have done a fabulous job with keeping the landscape –

Stehr Yes.

?? Looks great. It, it's one of the better golf courses as far as shape goes around this area.

Stehr I agree, we –

?? **inaudible off microphone 22:37**

Stehr We feel lucky to have Mike and his, and his people out there keeping the course in shape. I think they're doing a great job too. Thank you. Thank you for noting that. All right, and before we, before we get off of this subject, I wanted to ask you, um, we talked earlier this year about the MaintainX program, uh, which is going to be used for the, the maintenance workers and keeping them on task and, and managing that. Um, with Greg leaving and we're down to what two people in the Maintenance Department, is the implementation of that still going on or is that on hold?

Logsdon Yep. Greg was able to get the MaintainX program off the ground so we're actually using that right now. We have, uh, three, uh, park maintenance, uh, employees – we have Mallery Pflum who is our natural resource technician and then we have Will Wright who is our maintenance tech and also Gordon Harmon-Sayre who is our new, newest employee of about two weeks now, so. He's quickly acclimating. He comes from Indianapolis Parks and he hit the ground running with our crew, so. As we backfill those positions, we'll continue to utilize the work order system and, it's, it's pretty fantastic honestly.

Stehr Yeah. I, I have a note that we were going to get an update on that next month. Is that still something we can do or do we need, given the changes do we need to put that off for a few months?

Logsdon You could give me one more month.

Stehr Okay, yeah. I'll make a note for it in August then.

Logsdon Okay.

Stehr We can do, do an update on that. Okay, great. All right, anything else in the Staff Report, oh, anything else from you?

Logsdon Uh, that's all from the Superintendent Report. There won't be a, uh, Director of Maintenance Report this month.

Stehr Right, okay. Thank you.

Logsdon Thank you.

Stehr All right, next up is the, uh, Director of Recreation Services. Are you going to tell us about that beautiful van that you have out there in the parking lot?

Murdock Like my van?

Stehr Yeah, I love the van.

Murdock You wanna go for a ride?

Stehr Yes, yes I would.

Murdock I got the keys.

Pack It's a nice ride. I've seen inside it.

Murdock That's right. It's holding everything and plenty of room to grow. We, we, uh, filled it up and it's still got plenty of stuff to go with it, so. Yeah, so May a busy month for May. Um, a lot of school programs – we had 13 school programs that the naturalists at the Nature Center did. Um, so pretty much if they weren't doing school programming, they were doing public programming so we had 28 public programs through both the Nature Center and outdoor recreation, so almost a program a day if you work that one out for the month of May. But, um, yeah, just a couple, few highlights. So we did get the Creekstomper. I'm happy to say we got it on my birthday so, it's not my birthday present though but, um, and that has been out and into the community so it, it's gone to we had Party in the Park at Mulberry Fields which we were hoping for a couple hundred people and we pulled in over 800, um, so if you didn't go it was quite the party going on, um, some great, uh, music by the Papercuts, uh, Chick-fil-A, Fundae's, all the good stuff that was out there and opening of the splash pad, so I think that drew a lot of families as well. Um, it's also been at Barns & Brews which has had a, a good attendance that last two. We've

got two more in the books for June, um, and then it's not part of May but we, pretty much the Creekstomper went all over last weekend. We were at the library for their big summer kickoff and that was quite a crowd and then it was, um, it wasn't, it had to be parked offsite but it was at the Farmer's Market, um, on Saturday and so we will be at the Farmer's Market once a month for the rest of the season with the Creekstomper itself so.

Moore They let you do that, like parking offsite?

Murdock We got parking, I, I parked it near The Friendly.

Moore Okay. Because we're trying to get the Bookmobile there and there's that just one nonprofit a month or –

Murdock Yeah, the event space. Although I think I was looking at where they put us. I was like I bet I probably could've got it in there, so it might've took a little finagling but I could've probably got it in the spot that they put us but, yeah, we parked it offsite. We just, we, where people were driving up and they were going to see it whether they like to or not because it's not something you can miss going around. Um, just few other things, so along with the, the Creekstomper we also have kind of out there for everyone to see are our Zionsville Butterfly Trail so if you haven't been out, the eight wings are all up. Um, there is a guide online so if you go to Special Events underneath Parks it actually has its own page including with a Google Map so if they really don't know where these places are they can pull up the map and actually see and get directions to all of them. Um, so heard really positive back from all of the people really enjoying them. Every time I go by one there's somebody taking a selfie next to the wings, so. And then if you didn't get your Boone County Magazine, um, our first ever Active by Nature, uh, summer activity guide is out. It was in print through the Boone County Magazine so if that ended up in your recycling bin, make sure you pull that out and take a look first, um, but it's also available on issue as a digital download and I should be in the next day or two print picking up some print ones so we can have them at the Nature Center and I'll even drop some off at the golf course, so. Um, but that's all I have unless you guys have any questions for me.

Stehr Okay. Anybody have anything for Mindy? I guess not. Thank you Mindy.

Murdock All right.

Casady Thank you.

Stehr All right, next up is our, uh, staff report from our attorney. You okay? Our attorney, Amy Noonning. Amy.

Noonning Sure. Okay, well, um, first of all I'm happy to report that we did not need to take any further legal action to secure possession of the properties that the parks had purchased in connection with the Rail Trail expansion project. Um, we did some review and negotiation on the ice rink agreement for WinterFest 2022/2023 and we, um, finalized that agreement with Ice America and it's been executed now. Um, I did some review of some documentation for a grant application that Jarod was spearheading that was due on June 1st and that has been, I believe, signed and submitted and we, we're continuing to work through some issues I think I brought up last meeting, um, with a credit card processor, um, who is the processor for foreUP and we're continuing to kind of work with them. They're being, um, pretty stubborn in changing some terms but we're working on that. We've negotiated with, um, Boone County an MOU that is going to be on your agenda for consideration later on for the, um, mural that is being painted on Bloor Road, the bridge there, and so that will be executed by the County, I believe, next week. It's up for your consideration tonight and finally, um, one other thing that we've been kind of monitoring is a development in Town is seeking to obtain a sewer, a sanitary sewer easement from the schools on a piece of property that the schools own. This is for the Devonshire subdivision and Jarod got involved in the review of that proposed easement because it directly intersects an easement that the Town obtained from the schools for the expansion of the Rail Trail to connect with 400 South. So we've just, I've been in communication with, um, Pulte's attorney representing them on that and we've negotiated a little right of entry agreement just to ensure that Pulte maintains a high level of coordination with Jarod and the department so that when he's working to install the pathway and they're working to install their sanitary sewer that they are not doing anything that's interfering with Jarod's work and so, we'll continue to monitor that but I think that we have a good legal foundation in place to make sure that that goes smoothly.

Stehr Great. Anything else? Any questions for Amy? All right, thank you.

Noonning Sure.

New Business

Public Safety in Parks – Chief Spears Guest Speaker

- Stehr All right, now let's move on to New Business and, uh, we have, uh, well Jarod's stepping up to talk first. So Jarod –
- Logsdon I'll let you introduce it if you want but, uh, um, so for about the past year we've been meeting with Chief Spears and just kind of discussing, uh, the Police Department's presence in our park system as well as, um, safety overall throughout our park system and those conversations have kind of, uh, been snowballing over the past six months and really, uh, coming to a point where we're, we're trying to make some decisions that might influence, uh, how we invest in security and safety in our parks moving forward. So, I just kind of wanted to, uh, actually, John, invited the Chief tonight to kind of speak about, uh, the police's presence in our park system and where we are today and where we might be moving in the future, so. I'll hand it over to Chief Spears.
- Spears Well I'm very, uh, pleased to be here with you tonight and, uh, President Stehr asked me to speak a little bit about safety relative to the parks and what the Police Department does to help support safety and I'm happy to do that but before I do that I'd like to just take a minute and, uh, congratulate him for his selection to be inducted into the Indiana Broadcast, Broadcast Pioneers Hall of Fame so congratulations.
- Stehr Thank you Chief. Thank you.
- Spears That's uh, that's a great honor and very well-deserved award. Uh, your Police Department is extremely committed to park safety and trail safety as we are general safety throughout the Town and I think that, uh, overall Zionsville has an extremely safe, is an extremely safe community. We have very few problems, uh, and that's great but it doesn't mean that we as a Town are immune from problems, um, they could happen. I don't want people to be in fear that things are bad or that things are imminent. I don't think they are but I do think it's important to be properly prepared and, again, in light of a lot of national events, it causes us all to think about safety and what we can do, uh, individually as, as, uh, people that visit the trails and parks or as members of the Town who help those people safe. Um, we have a really good opportunity in the summertimes to increase our, uh, presence in both parks and the trails. Uh, as you know, we support the, the Zionsville Community Schools through our school resource officer program, uh, and some of those officers are available in the summertime to supplement other forms of patrol because the schools are

out of session. I like to see those officers out on foot, on bicycles and, and, and present in those areas. I think, uh, I think it's reassuring to the community, I think, uh, often just their mere presence can cause problems to dissolve or not even, uh, take root, so I'm proud of the work that they do there and, and I encourage all of our officers to do that, not just the officers that, uh, are supplemental to us through the summertime but, but throughout the year. I don't expect someone to walk in a, on a, on a trail or a park for their entire shift but, uh, certainly they can take time to get out of that car and move around and be present and we get great, uh, we get great compliments and feedback from the community when we see that sort of, uh, interaction those patrols from those officers in that fashion. Another thing that we've done to help promote and increase safety and awareness is Mr. Stehr was able to, uh, find a very good producer to help us, uh, produce, uh, some park and trail safety videos and one of those has been released. Jarod was a co-star in it and I think he did a wonderful job and Drake, uh, Sterling from our Police Department was also in it and I think you'll see more of those in weeks to come, so they offer really good advice and tips on, on safety and, and I'm really proud of the work that, uh, uh, we've done through that partnership with the Parks Department. So when I gave thought to things that, uh, the Police Department might recommend to help with safety, uh, I'm, I'm absolutely certain that Jarod and, and members of the Parks Board and others, uh, have thought about these things as well and in many cases these things have been done or will be done but one thing I think is really important is that those trails, uh, receive very clear, regular markings so that if there is a problem we know exactly where to go and, and, and honestly where EMS might need to go if there's a, a medical emergency or an accident. Um, and, and that may well be more of a likelihood than, than a police issue but, uh, clearly it's helpful to public safety to know exactly where someone is in the event of a, a problem or an emergency. Uh, another thing that we've done is to work with our Information Technology Department, uh, Joe Rust met with me yesterday and provided me with, uh, information and quotes about the installation of security cameras in the parks and along the trails and, uh, the initial quote, again it's an initial quote and obviously if it's pursued there'll be, uh, multiple quotes because of, of it's the right thing to do when it comes to spending tax dollars but this vendor's initial quote was \$136,000 and that provided a very, uh, elaborate, uh, installation of cameras in those locations, uh, to provide for safety and, and, uh, and protection of everyone. Now the interesting thing to me about the way that, uh, the quote was presented is that it's, it's somewhat ala carte. Each particular location is broken down by price and equipment and so if, if funding is not available or it's not, uh, deemed to be the way to go, uh, to, to do the whole thing then locations can be selected to begin the

Stehr Want in a system but, uh, when it comes to paying for that, uh, in whose budget does that best fall? Parks Department, the Police Department, the IT Department, the Town, I mean, how, how does that get parceled out?

Spears Well, good question. The Police Department doesn't have anything like that in our budget. Traditionally what I've, what I've found here in Zionsville in the time I've been here is that those kinds of technology items are budgeted through the Information Technology Department. So, unless things, uh, are done differently, that, that would probably be how they're done.

Stehr Some of our peer communities are already doing this, we know that. Um, what, what's your feeling on getting ahead of it versus trying to catch up with it if, if we have some, some issues here?

Spears Well, there's, there's no question that cameras help promote safety and, and provide police and others with information that are, that, that is important, uh, in the event of a, of a problem. And, again, those problems aren't necessarily law enforcement related problems, they could be, uh, accidents, maybe, maybe there's a, an area that, that needs improvement because it's causes accidents or, uh, medical emergencies, things like, things like that. So, uh, to directly answer your question, yes, I think, I think the cameras are helpful and important. It's just, uh, a matter of finding the, the budget to, to support it.

Casady So security and safety are all important, especially in these times, um, Zionsville and parks and especially some trails, not all trails –

Spears Uh huh, uh huh –

Casady But some trails have, uh, advantage, uh, a, a positive that, uh, we, we don't always talk about and that is they are, you're out in nature, you may be pretty remotely out in nature and that's part of the benefit of that experience and, you know, it's one thing if, uh, if there are cameras, uh, it's another thing if, uh, if there are cameras and I don't know about them, all that's, and we have some of those trails still, I think, I mean whether Zionsville will always be like that – we'll be growing and there'll be fewer and fewer of those trails, uh, but I hope, I hope we can preserve those somehow, someday. So, we don't have a policy that I know of at the Board level about how to deploy cameras and I would think we need those and, you know, again, Chief Spears, uh, you know, egress and ingress those are way finding, parking lots, those, those are not my concern, uh, you know, Starkey Park trail 1 I don't want a camera there, I –

Moore Do we have any, um, cameras on the trails right now?

Spears Not that I'm aware of, no. We have, we have a, uh, a portable one that we can deploy if we are aware of a problem or wanting to try to capture images for one reason or another but, no, we don't have any. I think maybe to, uh, answer your question or, or to speak to your concern, uh, it sounds like what you're talking about is the, the, uh, privacy issue. Whether you're walking and you think you're alone and you can, and you, you just don't like the idea that, that there's a camera and I didn't go to law school but I think what they say is, you know, there's really no expectation of privacy in a public area like that. So, I don't know that you have a problem installing cameras –

Casady No, I'm, I'm not saying we, we could do it –

Spears Yeah.

Casady I'm sure we could do it. It's just that I, I don't know if it would be worth it on all trails and at all places.

Spears Yeah. And another thing about cameras is I think they can be interpreted differently by different people, right? Some see them and feel like oh that's very reassuring and I'm, I'm glad that someone's looking out for us and others might think well if there's a need for a camera should I, uh, should I be concerned? And, I, I think, uh, I would reinforce what I said earlier and that is overwhelmingly Zionsville is incredibly safe and the idea is not to alarm anybody but, but instead reassure everyone that we're there to protect them. We had some similar concerns a year or so ago when we installed these we call them flock cameras, license plate reading cameras, and, and there was concern that well you're, people might be watching what we do and that's just not the case at all. Those cameras read license plates, they run the license plates and they, they alert police officers to stolen cars or people might be wanted on warrants or things like that and, and, uh, you know, once the cameras were up and operational and we proved their purpose, uh, those, those concerns seemed to just, uh, dissolve. So, I would hope that the same would be true if cameras are installed in, in parks and trails.

Stehr Well we live in a modern world and, uh, you know, the world is heading this way where there are going to be more security cameras in, in more places. The budget process for this year is pretty far down the road I, I would take it so perhaps there's not time to put it into this budget cycle but

if the dialogue continues between us, between the Police Department, the Fire Department, the Town, what is the most likely scenario that we could, we could get up to speed with security?

Spears Well, we're approaching the preparation of our budget for 2023 so, you're right, we don't have any money necessarily available that was earmarked for that in the 2022 budget but it's certainly something that could be considered in the next few weeks or months as those budgets are prepared and, uh, again, I don't want to speak for the administration but, uh, I suppose if the Board makes a case then perhaps monies could be found elsewhere in, in Town government's budget and, and, uh, reappropriated for that purpose but, uh, again, it's not my, uh, that's not my area of, uh, to make promises.

Stehr Right, right. In your experience, um, what is the best way to, to continue a dialogue in, in this direction? And maybe, maybe the answer is that we don't need cameras and we don't want cameras here but, but what is the best next steps from the Police Department's point of view?

Spears I would think that it might be wise to, uh, advertise this idea, this plan, float it to the public and get public input and you may find that a lot of people have opinions one way or the other, uh, and, and you mentioned a minute ago that in, in this modern era cameras are pretty much everywhere. I mean, every store you go into you're recorded, gas stations are recorded, homes, these, these, these doorbell cameras. Police get a great deal of, uh, information from those so, uh, it's not, it's not a, uh, unique idea to, to install these cameras in those locations, it's kind of in keeping with, uh, modern safety.

Casady Seeking public comment also is, uh, uh, that helps with transparency. Again, whatever we end up doing, uh, you know, the transparency and being out front and forward with what we are doing with what we are doing is important when we decide.

Moore I think it would also be useful to just do some, some study on this as well. I mean, there, this isn't new. CCTV has been in Britain for a long time and I think there's a lot of data about how well this works or does not and the cost and I think it would be useful for us to make sure that we're reviewing all the data that's out there as well.

Pack In our, um, Five-Year Master Plan Steering Committee meeting today, uh, the, the subject of safety did come up as, as part of our vision and since we're going to be doing a, an online survey as part of that, should we

include a few questions related to putting cameras into parks and trails to get feedback there?

Stehr Would that be helpful?

Spears Uh, I think so, yes. Absolutely.

Stehr It seems to me that would be helpful too.

Salewicz I guess if it worked out, it'd be a good place to, to vet it.

Pack Yeah, I mean we're already going to be doing the survey anyway, so.

Stehr Right, right. Well I think it'll be useful if, if, uh, we do add to run those questions by you to make sure we're asking the right questions and getting to the right heart of the matter.

Spears Yeah, yeah.

Pack I do –

Wollenberg Question – in addition to cameras I think Carmel just rolled out some, uh, automated callboxes for medical emergencies, safety emergencies, um, does the Town have any plans to do that? Would that also be in the IT area or is that more of a police or medical--

Spears Yeah that's a, a lot of communities have those and I know they have them in Indianapolis in several locations and, and those can be, uh, really helpful or they can, unfortunately, sometimes be a nuisance based on false alarms – people hitting them inappropriately.

Wollenberg Uh huh.

Spears Um, I, I think the idea that you have them for, uh, medical emergencies is really probably, in my judgment, the top need for them, uh, because if someone, if we don't know where they are or they can't get through on a phone or if they don't have a phone and then you'll, you'll see in the videos that we prepared that's one thing we're highly recommending to people is that they do carry a phone, uh, because that's a very, uh, modern and quick way to get, uh, public safety assistance but, uh, I think that's one too that needs maybe a little more study and, and, and public input because, uh, based on calls for service and incidents, um, I'm not sure I could justify or tell you that there's a strong need for that but I can't, like I

talked at the beginning of this, uh, although we're an extremely safe Town, uh, there have been some really regrettable incidents in Zionsville, uh, over the last several years that, uh, perhaps that kind of quick notification would be very valuable.

Moore I think the ones in Carmel that I saw recently had the AED kits with them as well –

Spears Uh huh.

Moore Those, those would be really, I am a big proponent of those.

Spears And, and, and keep in mind the AED kits are very helpful but they are also pricey.

Moore Oh, I know.

Spears They're probably about \$2,000 a, a set.

Moore I think we had to get a grant to get ours in the library –

Spears Uh huh.

Moore Um, but they do save lives.

Spears I think, you know, from a Police Department's perspective, from a Police Chief's perspective, really anything that, that, uh, a Board or a department can do to increase and enhance safety is commendable and, and absolutely important. Um, at, at some level it kind of just boils down, I think, to, uh, the cost and, and, uh, that's, that's, uh, that's kind of the way I see it.

Stehr Anybody else?

Barksdale Well I was just going to say, um, I, I think it's a good idea to put the questions in the Five-Year Plan survey but I also think not to just bury it there, to somehow get the, um, get it out there that this is something we're looking into sort of separately so that it doesn't get lost in –

Stehr Yeah.

Barksdale In the shuffle.

Stehr Well it's a dialogue that we need to have, I think –

Barksdale Uh huh.

Stehr Um, and, um, I'm not really quite sure how to, how to get that going but I think we need to figure out how to get that going and it sounds like the questions in the Five-Year Plan study are a good start, uh, and I would say that, you know, we're certainly open to your thoughts and what the Police Department thinks and, uh, I assume that your door will be open to us too –

Spears Sure.

Stehr If, uh –

Spears Absolutely.

Stehr We can have some give and take on this. And one other thing I want to say. I, I do think that people appreciate seeing your officers in the park. Now that the weather's gotten nicer and maybe the gas has gotten more expensive –

Spears Yeah.

Stehr And they don't want to drive their cars as much we see more officers in the parks and, and I think that's great and I, and I know people appreciate that. I do and I know others do too.

Spears I've taken, I've taken the opportunity myself to be on those bicycles and on those trails and, uh, it's uh, it's mutually beneficial. It's a very enjoyable, uh, method of patrol and, uh, and we'll do our best to see if we can significantly increase that presence.

Casady I've, I've met you on the bike, I've met officer Robinson and so many others –

Spears Yeah.

Casady On the trail, just nice encounters and they're, they're doing their, a great job.

Spears Well thank you very much.

Stehr Appreciate your commitment –

Spears Yes sir.

Stehr To that kind of community policing.

Spears Thanks.

Stehr I think that, I think that's important. Any, anything else for the Chief? Thank you for coming out tonight. Thank you for your patience. Really do appreciate it. And we look forward to keeping that conversation going. All right, Chief Mike Spears. Now we go back to Jarod at the podium.

Eagle Creek Erosion Improvement Plans – Rubin Castilo with Cardno

Logsdon All right, the next item on the agenda is the Eagle Creek Erosion Improvement Conceptual Plans. So earlier this year, the department entered into an agreement with Cardno for services to update our erosion improvement study originally from 2013. Um, so for the past decade, the parks have been partnering with the DNR's Layer Program to fortify the banks of Starkey Park and improve erosion and reduce sediment in the water that ultimately becomes our drinking water. So taking that one step further after about 10 years we wanted to take a look at the Starkey banks again and see what has changed in Eagle Creek but now that we own Overlay-Worman, we also have the opportunity to look at those shores and shore them up, uh, to further improve the creek. So, tonight we have Rubin Castillo and Jeff Spicer to talk, uh, a little bit about the conceptual plans that we have made in this, uh, round of the study.

Castillo All right. Thank you Jarod. Set up here.

Logsdon I'll fill a couple of seconds of this dead space. Uh, um, so there have been four projects identified in the original study, uh, along Starkey shore. Two of those have been completed so this study looks not only at those two but also the entirety of Overlay-Worman shoreline.

Casady Is it a shoreline?

Castillo Stream bank.

Casady Steam bank? Shoreline?

Castillo All right, so yeah, like Jordan, uh, like Jarod said I'm Rubin Castillo with Cardno and, um, earlier this spring we completed a preliminary survey on

the stream stretch of, uh, Eagle Creek that runs through, uh, Overley-Worman Park and, uh, Starkey Park. And so we kind of, we did cross sections and a visual assessment of the, of the erosion along the stream banks there and identified 11 different sites for further investigation and from those 11 sites we narrowed it down to the six sites you see here on our, on my map and so – sorry our numbering is a little, a little bit off but these sites are kind of the ones that are, um, that I think will be the most important to get addressed. They're highly visible and, um, also like Jarod said, associated with, uh, the projects that were proposed and worked on in the past there. And so of those 11 sites, all the, all the details, um, will be included in the Final Layer Report that we'll, that we'll prepare at the end of the year. So this is, uh, part of –

Spicer ??

Inaudible off microphone 56:41

Castillo Okay. Yeah and we do have, um, paper copies for you on the table up here if you'd like to take a look at those.

Salewicz We have it little monitors so that we can see it, so.

Castillo Okay. Yeah and so the goal is to improve these sites together into about three or four projects that will be used to apply for Layer funding as, as Layer projects and so I'll just go through our conceptual plan sites and I'll talk about each one of these sites, kind of what we, what we would like to do at each site and have our rationale for that.

Casady Before you do that Rubin, where, where is, uh, where is the current, uh, work, uh, on the stream bank that's already been done – I mean our first two projects? What, I think it's site 3 and site 6 but I'm not, I'm not certain.

Castillo Yeah so the, the projects that were already completed are, uh –

Casady 1 and 3?

Castillo On, on our map here those would be site 1 and site 3.

Casady Okay.

Castillo And then the two that Jarod had mentioned that did not get completed, those will correspond to uh, site 5 and site 7. And so what we can, I'll mention that when we –

Casady

Okay.

Castillo

When we go through the slides again, so.

Castillo

All right, our, our first site, site 1 is, uh, along Starkey Park. It's just downstream of what was called site D in the original plans and, uh, so this, this site is just, uh, minor bank erosion on the downstream side of the structure but that can be addressed, I think, just through some minor, um, bank repairs, oops – and what I would like to do or what I, what I would propose that we would do is group this project with this next one downstream which is what we're calling site 3 and so this, um, what was called site D on the old plan, or, I'm sorry, site C on the old plans and so there's a little bit more bank erosion down here. It's uh, downstream, downstream of a, a J-hook structure going into a bend here and, uh, our proposal to repair this site would be a little more, a little more involved, uh, with some in-stream structures called stream barbs and these would help, um, kind of direct the flow of water away from the bank there and help build up sediment along the bank just to prevent erosion and move that flow away, away from the, the impacted bank there. Our next site, site 5, which was, uh, site E in the, uh, original, original plans, this was the one that had not gotten built, um, and for this section they had proposed, uh, another J-hook structure that completely crossed the stream. Um, we are proposing instead of that to, uh, complete the bank grading as, as they suggested but instead install a, or enhance uh, the, a natural riffle that's already there. So this section it's a little more straight, um, the, there is erosion but it's not as severe as some of the other areas so the riffle, enhancing the natural riffle that's already there will kinda help keep that channel flowing in the right direction I'd say and, uh, without, without the need to kind of create a, a large structure that would impound water at this spot. Moving down to site 7. So this was site A in the last plans and this was one of the ones that had not been constructed and so this, uh, it'll be a little more, a little more extensive, a little more involved. Um, so, and, and this will be very similar to what they had proposed the first time around. This will be in-stream, uh, J-hook structures and that'll just to help redirect the water away from the banks and so at this section, I know especially as we move down a trail in Starkey Park the erosion gets closer and closer to that trail so this is one of those sections where trail relocation –

Casady

Which side of – is this on Overley-Worman or Starkey Park side?

Castillo

This is on the Starkey Park side.

Casady

This is on the Starkey Park side, near trail 1.

Castillo So yeah, all these, all these projects I've mentioned so far would be on the Starkey Park side.

Casady All Starkey, Starkey Park.

Castillo So with, with that there'd obviously be a little bit of tree clearing that would need to happen to be able to get in to do the work and shape the banks so they're, they're safe and, and protected and so in this section we're proposing also to have, uh, a wood toe incorporated with our, our rock protection and so, so that'll, again, help redirect the water and also create, uh, some habitat for species that live, live in the river there and I have a detailed, we'll probably want that to look later in the, in the plan site. So jumping back so now we're on site 4 and these next two projects will be on the, uh, Overley-Worman side of the river and so this, this site is, uh, just downstream of site 3 kind of going into the bend you can see the, the picture there, there is some, some attempt to protect it a little bit at some point and so, um, our proposal would be to kind of to help that, regrade the banks in that area and, again, install those, uh, stream barbs to help, help it, uh, grade in that section, build up sediment instead of erosion.

Casady This is very close to the new overlook, is it not, Tricia?

McClellan **inaudible off microphone. 1:03:06**

Casady You think it's upstream or downstream a little bit?

?? **inaudible off microphone 1:03:10**

Casady I hope the overlook doesn't get washed out before we do this.

Castillo Then our final site 6 on the Overley-Worman side, um, and right, and this, so this one it's, uh, near, so these two sites are upstream of the, of Crazy Creek there so this site would involve a little more tree clearing so, again, I have, we're proposing to have some more wood toe incorporated in that and so that is, this detail down here and so basically it, it's also a way to use that material that we generate instead of having to just dispose of it or move it somewhere else. That will be our, our, our brush and our, our large **1:04:06** or large root balls incorporated into the new bank toe with boulders and then stream bank built on top of that which will just help aid in stabilization habitat. So there again there's the downstream sites and so as far as the 30% plan goes, that's, um, that's what we have

for right now. Of course, we're always open to feedback and comments as we, uh, we move along and deliver a, deliver a completed plan site here by the end of the year.

Stehr Does this –

Casady The overlook, the overlook is in the middle of site 6.

Stehr Does this fundamentally change the, the flow of Eagle Creek? Just kind of keeps the water more toward the center of the channel, is that kind of the deal?

Castillo Yes so it, it, yeah it will keep the, keep the flow more towards the established center of the channel instead of pushing into the banks like it is currently.

Stehr The reason I ask is there are a lot of people that wade out there now on those rocks. That's become kind of a, uh, a pastime of a lot of people.

Castillo Uh huh.

Stehr Uh, does this change their experience? Does it make it more dangerous? Does it make the, the –

Castillo No, no, it won't, won't change that experience at all and the, uh, I think actually the structures that we're proposing to put in will probably create more spaces similar to that, more sandbars where people can walk out and be in shallower parts of the river.

Casady The bars and the rocks are slowing down the flow of water right before it hits a, a turn –

Stehr Right.

Casady So, uh –

Stehr So it'll be better for that?

Casady Yeah, as long as they don't destroy the structure. It's, it's a natural structure.

Castillo Uh huh.

Stehr Okay. Anybody have any questions?

Salewicz The kayakers or anything? Any issues with, uh, does this stuff get in the way otherwise?

Castillo No. So the, the stream barbs are designed to only extend about one-third of the width into the stream so there should be plenty, plenty of room for, for them to get around, get around those structures. The J-hooks are little different and they go out about two-thirds so, but they will have a low spot. It'll be pretty similar to what's, what's there currently as far as kayakers being able to, to get over them.

Casady Did you guys construct the first two, uh, structures, projects or was that someone else?

Castillo Uh, I'm not, yeah, I wasn't –

Casady Do you have any opinion on how they're holding up?

Castillo I think they're, they're, they're holding up fine. They seem to be in place well. I think they, they'll stay in place how they are, um, I think, um, the, the downstream one, the one on, on site 3, I think the, the river has, has changed a little bit. Maybe the centerline has migrated since it was installed and so that, that structure particularly I think is kind of, it's, it's helping to keep the river centerline in one spot but it might be contributing a little bit to the erosion problem that's going on at that spot and so that's why I think the, uh, the stream barbs will help address that a little bit.

Spicer Yeah, if you've been out to look, just downstream in the 2 it's starting to unravel a little bit. That's, Rubin's first two projects on here site 1 and site 3 address that so, you know, at the end of that first project [REDACTED] 1:07:55 inaudible off microphone look like you've got support [REDACTED] 1:07:59 projects that maybe [REDACTED] down a little bit [REDACTED] now [REDACTED] . 1:08:02

Castillo Uh huh.

Spicer That's addressed in that site 1 and site 3 [REDACTED] . 1:08:06

Salewicz So I, you know, I would have a, a kind of an issue with trying to manpower a creek. You know, I don't, I, I understand it needs to be done but, like you said, on the one that was done, and you're starting to already be seeing some, you know, with, uh, it falling apart so I just want to, if we

tread lightly as, you know, as much as we can because trying to control Mother Nature and the way she wants that creek to go, as you said, it has changed its centerline. It's going to change its centerline no matter what so I know we gotta do our best to make sure we don't have much, the least amount of erosion as possible but also I feel we need to be careful with dragging our –

Casady This is where – DNR getting involved, it's –

Salewicz Yeah.

Casady The majority is their money and their professionalism and expert opinion. They're the ones, we, we all have an interest in making sure our drinking water stays, uh, does not have all sorts of, uh, sediment in it, uh, but, but they are the, they're the pros at DNR and they, they double check your, your guys and our proposals. I, I mean that's kind of how the system works but I, I, I, I and you can only go so far –

Salewicz Right.

Casady In controlling Mother Nature.

Stehr Any other comments or questions?

?? **1:09:37 inaudible off microphone**. We know Starkey floods really bad so they've moved it. I was **1:09:43** site 3 it's probably been six years since it was installed. Does that seem like, you know, you guys have seen DNR work that that's kind of what a lifespan of when you **1:09:57** to prevent, prevent erosion. You know it's still going to shift and move, is that kind of the timeline that we're looking that so if we go in and **1:10:07**, do site 5, do site 6 realizing that can in roughly 6-10 years we'd probably have to go back and so some form of **1:10:18** so that, is that kind of what the thought is?

Spicer So what I've seen a lot of times is that, um, projects themselves don't necessarily fail, it's just they didn't far enough, um, with the protection so, you know, water is always going to, uh, attack the weakest point, um, on the stream banks, uh, but it's probably more likely, you know, the more we've done here and, and this is like, uh, the **1:10:43 inaudible off microphone** we have to do all over the place and stream, just trying to balance, uh, the use of hard armor and, you know, or, you know, like I said –

Casady Your plan.

Spicer 1:10:52 extreme concept trying to balance that with, um, you know, the more bioengineering kind of stuff. Um, there's times that, you know, we think of bioengineering kind of stuff would work but it's just, you know, a 1:11:05 comes in shortly after the install but to answer your question, 1:11:09 all of our projects last more than six years, more than 10 years 1:11:13 but things happen. It's, it's nature but that's, uh, what we're proposing here is, is a little bit more of that hard armor in spots that exhibit, exhibit that need it, um, in this situation.

Stehr Okay. Anything else? All right. Thank you very much gentlemen. We sure appreciate that. All right, Jarod.

Logsdon Thank you both very much.

Casady Thank you guys.

Logsdon I'll just mention what I love about, you know, kind of the solutions to reducing the erosion are mostly natural options, you know, root wads, trees, um, stones, using elements from the, the habitat to, uh, kind of undo some of the things we've done because ultimately we've changed the flow of Eagle Creek over time as well, so. Using, using hydrology, using science to kind of get it back in line and both live beside it as well as enhance it, so. Really appreciate all the work you guys have done on that. Um, so upon completion of this study we will have those project sites with full construction documents so essentially shelf ready projects that we can apply for future Layer grants, uh, to pursue and implement. So the Layer Program is an 80/20 match so it's a fantastic ratio for utilizing our tax fund dollars to make them go further, so. Thank you, uh, Jeff and Rubin.

Casady Jarod, do we have a Layer application and was that the June 1 deadline you were trying to meet with Amy or is it –

Logsdon That was –

Casady Is, is there anything in the works right now with Layer?

Logsdon So, uh, this, this project will wrap up in December/early January just in time for the next round of Layer, uh, submittals, so –

Casady Okay, what was just presented by the Cardno guys?

Logsdon Yep.

Casady So, okay.

Outreach Programs – Mindy Murdock

Logsdon We'll, uh, we'll prioritize which of those projects is both the most feasible as well as, you know, the, the highest priority and, and get that application in. All right, if, uh, not any other questions we'll move on the agenda, um, to Birthday Parties, Animal Sponsorships and Park Outreach Programs. So, um, with the Creekstomper we have a new opportunity to provide services to the community and Mindy and her staff have created a whole new variety of programs that we can begin implementing into the park system. So, we just wanted to talk about those programs and some of the fees associated with those so take it away Mindy.

Murdock So you should've had a whole bunch of stuff in your packet. Hopefully it was all kind of in order, so. But yeah, so this is to just kind of go over some of the things that myself and the staff have been working on. Some of these things are things we had done previously in the old, you know, old building and we'd just like to reenact those. Um, others are, you know, looking at ways, again, to kind of outreach into the community and take advantage of the outreach vehicle and really kind of meeting people where they are in the parks. Um, but I know these, a lot of these are new things that weren't proposed last year so they aren't on the fee schedule so that's one reason why I wanted to reach out to get your input just because we would be adding additional fees that aren't already listed under parks. Um, so we'll start with one that has been in place in the past and we are just bringing it back now that we've kind of got our, our footing and, and knowing what's going on within the Nature Center itself and that's the actual Nature Center birthday parties. Um, it was one thing that we did a lot in the old building, um, but we realize our space is limited, we want to be good neighbors to the library, um, so we are actually looking at bringing it back as a very inclusive program. Um, so if you notice that, you can see it actually has its own brochure already put together but the whole Nature Center birthday party that it would be a party for 10 kids or actually they can add on an additional two, so 12 kids max. Um, the Nature Center it would all be housed within the Nature Center so we are not encroaching at all within the library itself, um, and that it would be an hour and a half that our staff would be, take charge of everything going on. So we would provide everything for that party except for cupcakes and

juice boxes cause I'm not going out shopping for every birthday party, so, um, but you can see there the list of the different programs. We're already working on outlines for those, um, so it'll be very much that if someone would reserve that for a birthday party any of our staff can handle those, have a really nice one-on-one, you know, kids get to say I had my birthday party at the Nature Center and it's for us, it, it's an opportunity to reach maybe some people that wouldn't just want to come to the center on their own as well as, uh, an additional revenue stream to help us to continue to increase our, our staffing and our programming. Um, so it falls in line with close to what was at the previous center. The thought would be that, um, it kind of lines up with our shelter reservations so it'd be like \$50 or \$65 depending on resident, nonresident and that additional \$100 would be the program portion of that one, so, um, so that one kind of falls in line with what we've done in the past but then we're looking at adding that because we realize we don't want the Nature Center to be closed down, you know, every Saturday for an hour and a half, um, so these would be, you know, we would limit how many we would actually do but we want to be able to offer birthday party options for the community so we were looking at adding it as an add-on to a traditional shelter reservation. So that would be the second half. John?

Wollenberg Um, I saw your it says 4 years and up – what age groups are you targeting for those? Like what would it be designed for or would you structure it based on age of the kid?

Murdock We're structuring them similar to what we see from most of our like summer camp programming and what I've, we've seen in the past when we had birthday parties that, you know, because we're limiting it to a small group of kids and we're really taking charge, we're trying to stick to like, like, yeah, 4 years so preschool, older preschool age, up to I would say probably around 10 is probably going to be where most people –

Wollenberg Top end?

Murdock Are going to reach out, yeah. I don't know of many 12-year-olds that would want to but we would take them if they really, really wanted it but that's kind of what we saw at the old building of kind of the age range would, would be that like older preschool/kindergarten up to roughly, you know, second, third grade would be average, so.

Casady I, I think your pricing is fair, your brochures are great – what kind of number of birthday parties did we do pre-COVID and what would your goal be for the first full year of this?

Murdock Right. Uh, pre-COVID at the Nature Center we would roughly average between, um, 2-4 a month so I would because, again, we're at the Nature Center, we would have to physically close it down. Um, I really would try to limit it at roughly two a month at the most and this is why the thought of doing it where we can also add it on to a shelter reservation that allows us to be able to do more because then we're not invading in the Nature Center space, so. And the, um, the shelter reservation birthday parties would be very similar. They wouldn't get as many details, you know, as, um, they would at the Nature Center because it's not kind of inclusive. It would allow for larger parties so if a family, you know, they, they reserve the shelter and they had, you know, 30 kids, I'd feel bad for them if they decided to do that but, um, if they had a, a big group of kids come together with the shelter they could then add on that hour long program and there will be a couple for them to choose from, things that we could easily do at really any of our shelters because of the natural habitats that are there. And, again, the pricing would be similar. They've already paid for the shelter reservation so it would just be the \$100 for the birthday party, it's all that, that program portion of it, um, and that would be for the staff to go out there, actually do that program and then leave. So everything else would fall onto the, the, the reservation since they're reserving that shelter, so.

Casady And how many of these do you think you'd do in a year?

Murdock Don't know. This is a whole new one.

Casady What would you like to do, how many would you like to do in a year?

Murdock Um, during the, the busy months I'd love to be able to, again, offer probably two, you know, that'd be realistic if we could do a couple a month.

Casady No staff will be your constraint rather than the people?

Murdock I think staffing and what other programming and things we're doing will be the constraint but this is a thought, this is something that we could enact and as it grows that gives us a potential to grow our staff as well so because then we could look at someone and be able to do more just, just outreach itself, outreach and events, so. And then as soon as the Creekstomper kind of hit the, the ground rolling, um, we've actually had a few, uh, people reach out to us asking if it would be available for, um, different events, uh, so that is the, the third portion of this one is actually,

um, kind of a rent the Creekstomper. Um, having that opportunity for the outreach vehicle and staff to show up at either like school functions, neighborhood block parties, libraries, business events that would be going on, um, of course, these would be, they'd, you know, have to be in Zionsville themselves, um, we're not going to be traveling to Lebanon, uh, in a giant ambulance to get there. Um, but it would be very much how we would function if we were at, uh, one of our big events where, uh, we would have the Creekstomper there because they're a larger event we'd have two staff members and then we'd bring out some different activities, either in nature or a rec-based activity. Um, for us it'd be a great opportunity because then we can spread marketing and information about parks and have information there for people to pick up but it's kind of a new venture of getting our faces out into maybe an area that someone hasn't even been in the parks and, you know, they go to the neighborhood block party and all a sudden what is this giant thing here and they learn about the different parks that are nearby, so, um, so there is a fee that I proposed on there and it was \$150 per hour with a minimum of two hours. The reason I did that one is if you factor in the cost of staff plus gas which we know what that is at right now, um, plus we would have to be providing all of the materials, the marketing, um, printing, giveaways, things of that sort and that really just covers the cost for us to be out there, uh, for that time. So any question on those and then I'll go to sponsorships.

Stehr I think it's a great place to start.

Murdock It is.

Stehr I think it's great.

Murdock All right. And then our last one, um, because we do know with, for the Nature Center outside of summer camps our biggest cost that we have, um, are the animals which we, you know, we would not be our Nature Center if we didn't have the animals that we have. A lot of people, I mean that's why they come almost weekly is they want to see Sheila, they want to see the turtles, you know, what's the snake up to right now? They kind of get this ownership of the animals, um, and we love our animals as well so one thing we're looking at is actually starting a sponsorship for the animals, um, and it'd be very much of, you know, it helps us keep them healthy, um, to maintain them because roughly right now we're, we're about \$2,500 to \$3,000 a year to keep them all fed and housed and lights on and everything else for them. Um, but it also then gives people something to actually get, you know, get back for that return. So we have

our, our sponsorships there and you can see in the brochure that there's three levels, uh, one would be a, just a general animal friend so it would be a \$25 sponsorship and they would get, you know, their little certificate of friendship, a, a photo of the animal of their choice and then a fact sheet on that animal so it would be a nice little thing that if people were doing a birthday party at the Nature Center they would tap, you know, tag that on there as hey, you want to give the birthday kid this or if grandma and grandpa want to send it to their grandkids, something of that sort. The next one up would be a \$50 which would be everything that was included but they would also then get, I should've brought one, they're up in my office, a little stuffed owl with a Nature Center T-shirt on it, um, since we're celebrating our 20th year our hope is that this one will be kind of the, a popular thing for people to pick up and then also a chance to have, um, an, an animal brunch and so the thought would be that we would have once a month we would hold these little animal brunches, invite any that were at that level, that could be the day that they could come in and it'd be just a one-on-one where they could actually get to meet some of the animals, maybe help feed them, similar to what we do a lot of times with our, um, junior naturalist programs during the winter, so. And then that last one, the animal ambassador they get everything just as the previous one but then actually we haven't tried this one but we're going to do it – um, getting a limited-edition work of art by one of the animals, so. So you might get a piece of art where the turtle actually walked across the canvas or we, we kind of want to see what happens with Sheila since she doesn't do a lot of moving, our, our bearded dragon, and see if we can get like a lizard splooch right there, um, where then you have a piece of art that you can, you know, put in your kid's room or in your room if you really love the animals there. So, so those are three different fees that, again, we've never had for the last year. This is kind of a new thing for us to try. Um, there's also the opportunity because we get a lot of preschools to actually have the classroom sponsor an animal and then you'll see there everything is kind of digital form so the teacher can make copies for all of the kids in their classroom so, and that's a \$30 for that one and it also includes a little 30-minute kind of Zoom virtual where one of the naturalists and their animal that they picked gets to kind of Zoom in to the, the classroom and have the kids ask them some questions about their animal that they sponsor, so. So, again, if any questions.

Moore

I do. So main listed in the center, what does that mean?

Murdock

We will have, um, probably on the, the TV itself since, you know, we don't have a whole lot of wall space that will as it'll scroll through and it'll say thank you to our animal sponsors and have them listed in there, so.

Moore And then if people do the like highest level do they get the things from the level before?

Murdock Yes, yes. So it kind of builds on itself.

Moore So you get the animal portrait and the owl?

Murdock That's right. You get the owl and the picture and the fact sheets and go and get to go to the animal brunch and you get the splooch of Sheila, yeah. If that's really what you want.

Stehr Anybody else?

Moore It's really cute.

Stehr Yeah, I think it's great.

Moore Yeah.

Murdock All right.

Stehr Good job. That's really, that's going to be fun.

Murdock So I just need your guys' approval for these fees since they'll be added to our fee, fee structure that we don't currently have listed and, um, then we'll get these rolling out as soon as MyRec goes live, hopefully July 1st and these will be added on there so they'll be easy for people to find and to incorporate.

Stehr Anybody have any questions about the fees? Then do we have a motion to approve the fees for the, uh, animal adoption program?

Casady Yeah, I move we adopt the birthday party party adventure and, uh, animal adoption fees as presented.

Stehr We have a motion from Tim Casady. Do we have a second?

Wollenberg Second.

Stehr John Wollenberg seconds and, uh, why don't we take a roll call vote. Uh, Jill Pack?

Pack Aye.

Stehr John Wollenberg?

Wollenberg Aye.

Stehr Tim Casady?

Casady Aye.

Stehr John Salewicz?

Salewicz Aye.

Stehr Sarah Moore?

Moore Aye.

Stehr Kris Barksdale?

Barksdale Aye.

Stehr And I say aye as well. It passes unanimously. Thank you Mindy. All right, now we're going to talk about, uh, spending some money, huh? We've been talking about making it, now we're going to talk about spending it.

Rail Trail & Trailhead & Pickleball Court Project Bid Award

Logsdon So, uh, as you recall, uh, in 2019 a Rail Trail bond was issued for the northern and southern expansions of the Rail Trail and other pathways and trails in Zionsville. So thanks to the Next Level Trails Program which we were the recipient of round two, we were awarded \$1.8 million dollars to help fund those expansions. So with that cost savings we had the opportunity to look at not only completing those projects within the grant but also taking a look at our existing Rail Trail and choosing to widen that at this time. So when this project is complete, we would have a complete, uniform Rail Trail from the southern Zionsville Road entrance, uh, until we connect with, uh, Whitestown in the north. So, uh, this project was bid as a, uh, larger package earlier this year and it failed to deliver any bids so we repackaged it and put the asphalt as its own project which is before you now, the Rail Trail, uh, widening and expansion. So we had three bids for this that were opened publicly yesterday and of those bids, uh, JBM Constructors came in at the lowest with a, a – I'm so sorry, I gotta read my

notes a little differently – uh, so we did have three bids for the rail, uh, widening and Morphey came in with the lowest bid at \$3,959,000. So from our cost estimates that was about a 4% increase from what we were anticipating. So, uh, after discussion with your approval I would move to, uh, uh, work on awarding this contract and beginning the Rail Trail widening project.

Casady What was the amount again, \$3.9 million or?

Logsdon \$3.9, yep.

Stehr Now you said 4% over what we had expected it to be. Uh, in, in today's world given the inflation that we're experiencing and supply chain issues and contractors and all that, uh, is that a reasonable place to be? Is that a, is that more than we would expect?

Logsdon Um, I think, uh, we're very fortunate for that, uh, thinking about all the trucking that would be involved in moving the stone and the asphalt onto this project. Um, those costs we might have caught a little grace on what's happening this summer with this bid coming in now, um, so I think we are, uh, very fortunate to have the 4% increase from that cost estimate and RDA, Tricia and their, their team every bidding public bidding, they review those documents and update their cost estimate so, truly just trying to play catchup with the market that just won't stop increasing at this time.

Salewicz What was the second lowest bid?

Logsdon The second lowest, um, that was \$4.2, so about a \$300,000 difference.

Moore Have you worked with the lowest bidder before?

Logsdon With Morphey? Uh, Tricia and her team have been reviewing that and they have, um, solid unit pricing and they have a, a credible background in projects of this nature.

Salewicz But the Town, we have not worked with them in the past, correct?

Logsdon Our department has not. I would have to check with DPW if they've worked with Morphey before.

Pack Did Morphey put out a potential start date?

Logsdon Yes they did. Um, so their potential start date upon notice to proceed would be July 31st so, uh, we have them starting at the northern expansion. We'd, we'd finish that project prior to moving on to any of the existing Rail Trail widening so, offering that as we continue down the Rail Trail. Uh, one more thing to mention, uh, as we begin to kick off the project we do want to look at the, uh, existing stone on the rail corridor and if that stone is intact, potentially some cost savings by utilizing that rather than scraping down further and adding brand new stone for the sake of adding stone, you know, a 100-year railbed has quite the compaction rate for a recreational trail that the heaviest thing that'll be on it is an F250 so, uh, we will explore that, uh, with Morpheus at that time.

Stehr This will be a phased project so the whole trail's not going to be closed all at one time?

Logsdon Absolutely. So, uh, like I mentioned, starting at the north this trail would satisfy the grant component of this project which would be the northern expansion. As you recall, earlier this year we did acquire the final parcels of that, um, so starting in connecting us to Whitestown down to Heritage Trail Park at which point we would call the next phase, um, from Heritage Trail Park down to Mulberry Fields at which point we've already identified pathways that residents could use in substitution of that to continue on the Rail Trail around, uh, from the north moving south and then once that is complete and signed off then we move to the final section from Mulberry down to Nancy Burton so and, again, utilizing our existing pathways to keep people moving, uh, north and south.

Stehr And I, I'd like to touch on what you mentioned before, Amy, about the, uh, the easement and the confluence of Pulte and the Town and the school district and us and, um, do you anticipate any, uh, anything within that that's going to cause a delay or cause a problem with this construction?

Nooning I don't anticipate anything there. I mean, I'm not exactly sure what Pulte's schedule is.

Logsdon I'm afraid, uh, they're going to be slightly behind us so it's truly we'll lay a brand new trail and then they'll be in the area so, uh, just working with them to minimize any closures that might have to happen on our brand new trail –

Stehr Yeah.

Logsdon And just having those conversations upfront so we're not doubling efforts if our timelines do become close enough that we could just potentially have them to that little section or something like that.

Stehr Yeah.

Nooning We've been clear with them so far that we don't want to lay the brand new trail, have them rip it up and then have to –

Stehr Right.

Nooning Replace it, you know, so I'm hopeful that they will do, you know, continue to be respectful and –

Stehr Yeah.

Nooning Work with us on that.

Stehr Is there reason to believe that they'll work with us, uh, on that, Trish? Are they, have they been good in the past about that?

McClellan **Inaudible off microphone 1:34:57**

Stehr Pulte.

McClellan **Inaudible off microphone 1:34:59**

Logsdon I, I think it's a good thing that they're, we're having those conversations right now –

Nooning Uh huh.

Logsdon So early, um –

Stehr Yeah.

Nooning Yeah.

Logsdon As you know, with some of our easements they're kind of, uh, after thoughts sometimes, so.

Stehr Okay.

Nooning And this easement too is going to be the Town's easement, I mean, the Park Board's easement so it's coming from the schools to the Park Board. We're going to allow Pulte to, um, access that easement –

Stehr Right.

Nooning To install their infrastructure but the easement will be owned by the Park Board so that gives us a little bit more control.

Logsdon And then it would become Town property afterwards, correct?

Nooning Right, yes.

Logsdon So – removing them from the equation after the project's done as well.

Stehr Okay. It's all very convoluted but –

Nooning It is. It is just a little.

Stehr Um, but, you know, like we saw at the golf course with, with the Duke project going on along the golf course kind of worked to our benefit perhaps, you know, we can make this or we can see this work to our benefit too.

Logsdon Yeah. We will, we will realize any synergies that exist and –

Stehr Yeah.

Logsdon Uh, move on those absolutely.

Stehr Okay. All right, does anybody –

Nooning Can I ask a question real quick just to Tricia, maybe if Tricia hasn't had an opportunity to review this lowest bid for responsiveness just to make sure it's complete. Again, just--

McClellan Yeah, uh, I have. No we did the checklist to make sure it's got all the forms that are required by the State of Indiana –

Nooning Okay.

McClellan And all the forms that we required and that the Town requires too.

Nooning Great.

McClellan I'll scan those tomorrow and get those to you –

Nooning Great.

McClellan So that you can do the legal review in addition to our, you know, designer review.

Nooning Okay. Wonderful. Thank you.

Stehr Okay, does anybody have any questions about the bid or about, uh, paying for the, the project?

Moore Well is the 4% increase within the budget that we have available?

Logsdon Yes, yep.

Casady Should, should we hear what the bids are for the north extension pickleball and the trailhead –

Stehr And take them off---

Casady Before we decide, you know, because they're going to add up to a number and then I'll ask Jarod –

Logsdon Yep.

Casady You know, do we have that number?

Stehr Okay but then we're going to have to go back and approve them individually right, Amy?

Casady Right.

Nooning Yes.

Stehr Okay, okay. Yeah, let's do that. Does everybody agree to that? We'll talk about them altogether.

Logsdon That's probably a great idea.

Stehr All right.

Logsdon Moving on to the Zionsville Road Trailhead. This bid received two, um, sealed bids. The lowest responsible bidder was JBM Constructors, as I mentioned before, at a bid of \$1,259,000 so that actually is about a 17% increase than the, uh, cost estimates we had, um, but again was the lowest, uh, responsible bidder out of the two. So looking at that, you know, the trailhead is extremely straightforward, uh, just being a restroom facility, parking lot and, uh, a pathway to connect to the Rail Trail.

McClellan **Inaudible off microphone 1:37:52**

Logsdon Yes.

McClellan **Inaudible off microphone 1:37:56**

Logsdon Yes.

McClellan **Inaudible off microphone 1:38:03 Okay, the lowest is _____.**

Logsdon Oh, I am so sorry. I have some good news.

McClellan Yeah so that's JBM.

Logsdon That's JBM, okay.

McClellan It's probably my writing. He probably couldn't read my writing.

Logsdon No. Uh, news update – JBM actually came in a little bit lower than originally forecasted at \$1,072,000 so that will be a little bit more in line with our cost estimates. I don't have a calculator in front of me to kind of get that margin of error but, um –

Stehr And that was, what, how many – 2% over, is that what it was – 2 or 3% over?

McClellan Yeah I think it's 3 or 4 just **_____**. **Inaudible off microphone 1:3846**

Stehr 3 or 4?

McClellan **Inaudible off microphone 1:38:47**

Logsdon The, the last one was 4, yeah.

McClellan Yeah.

Logsdon So, um –

Stehr Okay.

Logsdon So and, and we have updated the trailhead pricing, uh, two or three times in our cost estimate since we originally tried to bid it back since I've been here in 2020 so truly construction prices are just kind of going through the roof right now and we actually learned in talking with the contractor that, uh, they were given notification that we received a little bit of a discount of what they'll be bidding at, uh, for demolition moving forward with it, so. Uh, the, the market is changing every single day, um. We are talking with, uh, JBM to potentially, uh, design the building and engineer it in-house rather than purchase a prefabricated building from the public restroom company and, uh, talking with them they believe we could have some cost savings if they design it and, and build in-house rather than purchasing from the prefabricated, uh, model so we will absolutely explore that as we move into the contract. Uh, but with your, uh, approval, I would like to move forward with the JBM bid for the trailhead property at \$1,072,000.

Stehr All right. We'll come back to that –

Logsdon Yep.

Stehr After we talk about pickleball.

Logsdon And the pickleball courts, so this is –

Casady Where's, where's the north extension? Which project is that under?

Logsdon That is included within the Rail Trail widening. Moving to our last, uh, project that was bid is the pickleball courts at Mulberry Fields. Um, so Zionsville, like a lot of communities, are playing catchup on the pickleball facilities. Uh, the sport has just exploded in the past five years, um, so this was to design four courts, um, at Mulberry Fields which would be accessible to the community and then repurposed in the wintertime as a foundation for the WinterFest festival. So we had one bid for the pickleball courts which was also from JBM and that bid was for \$562,000 which was about 8% over our cost estimate. So towards the end of the pickleball project we did decide to switch from asphalt to concrete just to

have a longer life from this amenity, a better foundation, um, and just get some use out of it as it will be heavily utilized by the public.

- Salewicz What was the grant that we received from the ARP for that?
- Logsdon We did not receive the ARP grant.
- Salewicz We did not receive that? Okay.
- Logsdon Yep. So, unfortunately, we did not receive the ARP or the American Trails grants to help with these costs.
- Casady So, again, that was \$500,000, what was it?
- Logsdon \$562,000.
- Stehr And part of that 8%, um, premium is due to the fact switching from asphalt to concrete, right?
- Logsdon Um, well we updated our cost estimate, uh –
- Stehr Oh we did?
- Logsdon To that price. So this would be about 8% over the cost estimates were.
- Stehr Okay.
- Logsdon And, again, just in the last week, you know, gas prices have raised 50 cents, so.
- Stehr Yeah. Is concrete hard to get right now, like asphalt is as part of the?
- Logsdon Yes, we're, we're experiencing that issue with, uh, Overlay-Worman on a couple of the last nodes that we'll need on the west side. So that is, there is a longer lead time on concrete than asphalt.
- Stehr Yeah, okay.
- Logsdon Uh, also mentioned with this project we are looking at, um, pulling out the lighting and purchasing directly from, uh, uh, a vendor to have a little cost savings on that markup and just have the contractor install what we purchase. So, again, trying to utilize every opportunity we have to try to save taxpayer dollars as we still achieve these capital investments.

Casady So how would you fund the, the pickleball court? Where does that come from?

Logsdon That would, yep, that would be, uh, a combination of our park improvement funds that were allocated for this year as well as a portion of our non-reverting capital that was allocated, uh, this year for the Starkey Avenue bridge which came in under what we allocated.

Casady Our non-reverting capital –

Logsdon Capital, yeah.

Casady Was how much per year? Or the last couple of years it's been, I mean, what, what was in our budget for that?

Logsdon Um, \$900,000 and the bridge was around \$685,000.

Casady So how, how much, yeah, how, how much is in our non-reverting capital fund right now?

Logsdon \$1.3 before that \$900,000 is removed and we are still working on the final number that we added last year from our cost savings.

Casady I don't understand the second thing you just said.

Logsdon Okay, so the, uh, non-reverting capital every year any funds that we don't expend from the park improvements within the general fund, uh, get sent to the capital non-reverting fund to be stored for a rainy day. That's our, uh, that's how that fund is funded. So last year we are still, finance is still crunching the numbers on how much was leftover in the budget that will be sent over to this fund to offset, uh, the expenditure from this year.

Casady So we'll call, I'll call it the rainy day fund and there was I don't know a year ago \$1.8 million in it –

Logsdon Yeah.

Casady And then you're saying we used part of that for the Starkey Avenue bridge?

Logsdon Yes, it hasn't been spent yet but yes.

Casady We, we could've used bond money for –

Logsdon Yes.

Casady But we decided to use rainy day fund money for it –

Logsdon And, and, again, it hasn't been spent just yet. It was just allocated.

Casady All right.

Logsdon Okay.

Casady Um, and, uh, again, we every year we get an amount to be put into that and you're saying that's still under some consideration about how much will go into there, into that fund shortly?

Logsdon Yep.

Casady Okay.

Logsdon Correct.

Casady Gotcha. And then we have Overlay-Worman, rough, rough we have an Overlay-Worman Park Bond proceeds that we've used up.

Logsdon Yep.

Casady I mean, it's close. We may even go a little bit over I, I mean, no more in that bond fund because Overlay-Worman Park's, well but we're still working on it but, I mean, so that's out of the picture now and then we had our Rail Trail Improvements Bond which was \$4 million?

Logsdon \$4.7 –

Casady Call that –

Logsdon Around \$4.2 when I, when I came onboard.

Casady Yeah that's, that's great. Good. All right and then what's our Indiana – so \$4.7 plus grant of –

Logsdon \$1.8.

Casady Which adds up to \$6.5 and we've had, uh, before these bids we've had costs, uh, for the trailhead we have the two properties, we spent a half million to buy the properties roughly –

Logsdon Yep and the, uh, Cain parcel was around \$150,000?

Casady \$200,000, \$100,000, more like \$100,000, so.

Logsdon Yeah.

Casady So let's say 0.6 for all of that. Any other, okay, so, uh, we just have two bids, one for \$3.9 and one for \$1.1 that's \$5 million dollars and we've already spent, uh, a half million dollars so, uh, \$5.5 million so we're good.

Logsdon Yes it is, it is completely tight so as our contingency for these projects would be extremely low at which point if something came up we would have to have a conversation and potentially get an additional appropriation which we have a, another fund of monies that could be utilized for capital funds.

Casady Is, is that – I was calculating we had about a million dollars leftover but we probably have consultants, engineering fees, things we've already spent –

Logsdon Yeah.

Casady That are going to be close to a million dollars.

Logsdon True.

Casady So that's where you say we are good, tight –

Logsdon Good.

Casady Kind of like with Overlay-Worman Park?

Logsdon Yes.

Casady We don't have, uh, \$100,000 to spare?

Logsdon Right. So every, every change order we'll have to take with, uh, based on current allocations, any change orders will have to be under immense scrutiny but, uh, we also do have the earmarked funds which when the

park system which originally had its own, uh, fund account moved into the general fund, we earmarked those cash reserves for future capital projects so that fund is sitting roughly around \$2.3 and that fund to date has co-funded the cart path improvements, the Carpenter, uh, Master Plan as well as the Five-Year Master Plan, so we have been utilizing that for some of those capital projects and after all of those expenses that one will sit at \$2.3.

Casady All right.

Stehr And also while this is tight, given the, the timing of it, uh, some of these expenses will come to us next year too in the next fiscal year.

Casady Yeah.

Stehr So, you know, we have, we have a little bit of wiggle room here but, uh –

Casady But on the other side of that, in a sense we're over because –

Stehr Yeah.

Casady The bridge, the Starkey Avenue bridge we're not using bond, we could've used, I mean we still can –

Logsdon Yes.

Casady It's that we won't be able to because we're out of bond funds and we're out of, uh, grant funds so, um –

Stehr But, but I, I still think we're okay even though it's more than we thought it was going to be, it's, it is manageable and we just have to be judicious about our granting of, uh, change orders or, or approve the change orders as we go.

Moore So, you've done all this calculations before, we're not just relying on, on Tim doing the calculation right now, right?

Logsdon I'm not – yeah, I'm not doing it in my head.

Moore Okay, but it has been done and you know that we're going to have at, at least a million dollars left in that fund?

Logsdon In, in which fund?

Moore Did I say it wrong?

Casady We won't have a million. I mean it's –

Logsdon We, we will –

Casady We're using it up.

Logsdon Fully execute the Rail Trail Bond for its intention which was –

Moore Right but I meant the, um, rainy day or whatever you called it.

Logsdon Oh, the rainy day will have around \$400,000 plus whatever we added from last year which, uh, early estimates was around \$300,000 of \$314,000 we get every year so –

Moore Okay.

Logsdon That would bring us right back to \$600,000 on that and then in addition we have the earmarked funds which are \$2.3, so sitting just under \$3 million in cash reserves after all these projects are paid for.

Stehr And keep in mind, this was the last, uh, not the last but it is, uh, the end of a large number of capital projects.

Salewicz Uh huh, yeah.

Stehr So we don't have any big capital projects in the pipeline after this, yeah.

Moore Okay.

Stehr Well, Carpenter Nature Preserve –

Moore Yeah.

Stehr But that's still –

Pack Down.

Stehr Way out there, way out there down the road.

Logsdon That's a long pipeline.

Salewicz Many moons away.

Stehr Yeah, this takes care of our immediate needs.

Moore Okay.

Stehr And as far as capital spend, expenditures are concerned.

Moore So with everything that we have said that we were going to do, sans the Nature Preserve, how much, say we spent it all, we just gave all that money out, what's left?

Logsdon So from that we would have approximately \$3 million in cash reserves after all these projects.

Moore Okay.

Logsdon Just under that probably.

Moore You would just maybe have to do like, uh, an additional appropriation if it goes too far above what you've appropriated for this year but there's definitely that much in the reserve?

Logsdon Right, absolutely. There's, there's money in the bank, um, and these projects will likely fall over two years – at least the Rail Trail for certain.

Moore Okay.

Logsdon So.

Pack Um, did the two JBM projects, did they give start dates?

Logsdon Yes.

Pack In particular, the pickleball would they, is their timeframe so that it'll be completed prior to WinterFest?

Logsdon Yes. That was one of the stipulations of the bid packet, um, was to have that base completed by October, I believe –

McClellan **Inaudible off microphone 1:50:54**

Logsdon I, I believe it was in October so, giving us about a month and a half early to –

Pack Okay.

Logsdon Kind of –

Stehr But maybe no pickleball this year, right?

Logsdon Probably no pickleball this year –

Stehr Right.

Logsdon But, you know, I'll, I'll tell ya, they want to get started July 11th on the pickleball courts –

Pack Okay.

Logsdon So that is quite, quite, uh, soon and the trailhead also wants to begin on July 25th so very happy with those start dates, um, after legal review and award. Um, and, and as John kind of mentioned, this would be, you know, the, the end of the last Five Years' Master Plan. We've accomplished 90% of those projects, some of which we found weren't the best fit that Elm Street, uh, canoe launch is one idea I can think of that maybe there's a better place for that and we can talk about but the Tot Lot, Elm Street, uh, the Elm Street Green Tot Lot, Heritage Trail Phase 2, uh, completing the Big Rail, you know, all these projects were identified in the last five years so now that we're entering into the next Five Year Master Planning process, we'll create a whole new batch of initiatives to find a way to finance and fund and we'll begin that process with \$3 million in the bank.

Stehr Any more questions? All right, now we need to take each one of these, uh, bids separately?

Logsdon Yes.

Stehr So, uh, I think it'd be helpful if you went back and just dealt with the Rail Trail, uh, bid and what, what the cost of that is and, and which bid that we are, uh, voting on here.

Logsdon Absolutely. So for the Rail Trail, uh, northern expansion and widening, uh, I would recommend a bid from Morphey Constructors for \$3,959,000.

Stehr And are these going to be pending legal review?

Logsdon Pending legal review.

Nooning Yes.

Stehr Okay. All right, does anyone wish to make a, uh, motion that we accept the bid from Morphey Constructors for \$3.9 million dollars pending legal review?

Salewicz I make a motion to accept the bid from Morphey Constructors.

Stehr All right, we have a, a motion from John Salewicz. Do we have a second?

Moore Second. It's me.

Stehr Sarah Moore seconds. All right, let's go ahead and a vote. Jill Pack?

Pack Aye.

Stehr John Wollenberg?

Wollenberg Aye.

Stehr Tim Casady?

Casady Aye.

Stehr John Salewicz?

Salewicz Aye.

Stehr Sarah Moore?

Moore Aye.

Stehr Kris Barksdale?

Barksdale Aye.

Stehr And I say aye as well. So that one passes unanimously. Uh, the next one, the Trailhead project.

Logsdon The Zionsville Trailhead project, uh, recommend an award to JBM for \$1,072,000, um, pending legal review.

Stehr Do we have a motion to accept the Trailhead project bid from JBM?

Moore I'll make a motion to accept the Trailhead project from JBM pending legal review.

Stehr All right, thank you. Sarah Moore makes a motion. Do we have a second?

Pack Second.

Stehr Jill Pack seconds. Now let's take a vote. Jill Pack?

Pack Aye.

Stehr John Wollenberg?

Wollenberg Aye.

Stehr Tim Casady?

Casady Aye.

Stehr John Salewicz?

Salewicz Aye.

Stehr Sarah Moore?

Moore Aye.

Stehr Kris Barksdale?

Barksdale Aye.

Stehr And I say aye as well. Another one passes unanimously. All right, and the pickleball courts.

Logsdon Um, the, the Mulberry Fields pickleball courts, uh, I recommend awarding a contract to JBM for \$562,000 pending legal review.

Stehr Do we have a motion to accept the JBM bid on the pickleball court project?

Salewicz I'll make a motion to accept the pickleball court bid from JBM.

Stehr Pending legal review?

Salewicz Pending legal review.

Stehr John, uh, Salewicz makes a motion. Do we have a second?

Casady Second.

Stehr Tim Casady seconds. All right let's vote real quick. Uh, Jill Pack?

Pack Aye.

Stehr John Wollenberg?

Wollenberg Aye.

Stehr Tim Casady?

Casady Aye.

Stehr John Salewicz?

Salewicz Aye.

Stehr Sarah Moore?

Moore Aye.

Stehr Kris Barksdale?

Barksdale Aye.

Stehr And I say aye as well. All right, so we have that one, um, approved unanimously as well. Thank you all.

Logsdon Uh, no more money spending. We'll move on to other items.

Stehr And to bring in a little bit of revenue here on the next item.

Mulberry Fields Use Agreement

Logsdon Absolutely. So the Mulberry Fields Field Use Agreement – this contract is another new one for us, uh, for this year. This would be the Zionsville Youth Flag Football wishing to utilize one field at Mulberry from July 18th through September 30th, Monday through Thursday, so very happy, uh, President Plunkett actually introduced me to these, uh, the presidents of this group and we, uh, found an opportunity for them to utilize Mulberry as a practice facility, similar to the Little League and rugby teams earlier this year. So, uh, with, I recommend that we enter into the agreement for that field use, um, at a rate of \$5.00 per practice, um, and implement that for this season. Happy to answer any questions.

Stehr Has that under gun, excuse me, undergone legal review?

Nooning Yes it has, yes. We're using the same template for, um, all of these entities.

Stehr Okay, so as it, as it is here it's good to go?

Nooning Yes.

Stehr Okay. Any other questions about that? All right, so we need a motion to approve that? Anybody have a motion to approve the?

Pack I will move to approve the, um, athletic field usage agreement with, uh, Zionsville Youth Football League.

Stehr Jill Pack makes a motion. Do we have a second?

Wollenberg Second.

Stehr John Wollenberg seconds and now let's take a vote. Jill Pack?

Pack Aye.

Stehr John Wollenberg?

Wollenberg Aye.

Stehr Tim Casady?

Casady Aye.

Stehr John Salewicz?

Salewicz Aye.

Stehr Sarah Moore?

Moore Aye.

Stehr Kris Barksdale?

Barksdale Aye.

Rail Trail Bloor Lane Bridge Mural

Stehr And I say aye as well. That's terrific. Thank you. All right, the Rail Trail MOU on Bloor Lane.

Logsdon So, uh, Zionsville was fortunate to be the recipient of the Boone County Community Foundation's largest grant to date which not only places mile marker signage at every half mile on the Rail Trail which will be implemented later, um, in the year but also, uh, we'll install three permanent murals along our Rail Trail tunnels and bridges so, um, we actually don't own one of the bridges – it is the Boone County Bloor Lane bridge so in speaking with the County, they are happy to be the canvas for our mural on that structure, they just don't want to be responsible for it afterwards so we will, uh, do our due diligence to maintain that mural and, uh, protect it and that is encapsulated with this MOU that myself, Amy and the Boone County attorney have been working on to finalize. So upon your execution of the MOU, we will, uh, the County will also have their meeting next week and once ratified we'll, uh, begin the mural project on the Bloor Lane bridge as well.

Stehr All right. Do we have a motion to, uh, approve the MOU on the Rail Trail Bloor Lane Bridge Mural?

Moore I'll make a motion to approve the MOU.

Barksdale I'll second.

Stehr Sarah, Sarah Moore gives, uh, makes a motion.

Barksdale Second.

Stehr Kris Barksdale seconds and I think we can do this one by acclamation. All in favor say aye.

All Aye.

Stehr All right. It passes unanimously. Uh, any New Business?

Logsdon That is the end of the New Business.

Old Business – Rail Trail Southern Extension

Stehr All right, now we move on to the Old Business.

Logsdon Just wanted to give an update of the Rail Trail Southern Expansion. On June 1st we did welcome the Governor, Governor Holcomb to Zionsville to officially cut the ribbon for the southern expansion. Uh, the community was enjoying that a couple of days before that, uh, time. So we have officially opened the southern Rail Trail from the Nancy Burton corridor to the Vonterra subdivision. Now there is light construction that still needs to go on on the shoulders of that. There will be some final grading, the, uh, fence on the 100-foot bridge will be replaced as well as, uh, seeding in the fall so, um, just a couple of more things that shouldn't impact too many closures throughout the next couple of months but we just wanted to give the community a head's up. Uh, we'll also be installing permanent handrails on the Starkey Avenue, uh, bridge that will extend 50 and 60 feet in each direction.

Stehr We also need handrails on the bridge at Overley-Worman too, right? On, on the entrance to the bridge on each side?

Logsdon Yes, yes those are also temporary right now.

Stehr Yeah.

Logsdon And they will be completed with the Overley-Worman project.

Stehr Okay. People seem to like the bridge.

Logsdon It's very picturesque, yeah.

Stehr It is picturesque.

Logsdon It's quite fun to ride down as well.

Other Board Related Items

Stehr Okay. Um, anything else under Old Business? All right I have one thing under Other Board Related Items, uh, just a reminder that, that next month, uh, Jill will give us a, an update on what the Foundation is working on and, and what they're doing and, uh, as I mentioned before, we're going to have a report on how the MaintainX program was, uh, going but we're going to give Jarod an extra month on that given the changes in the Maintenance Division so, we'll do that in August. Um, so anything else under New Business? No? Okay. Uh, has everyone had a chance to look at the claims? Anybody have any questions or comments about the claims?

Salewicz I guess one question is with the, the gentleman from the who was asking how come he didn't get paid yet so it was just completion of contract, right?

Logsdon So, uh, per the contract they can only bill for work that was completed and actually they didn't submit their first pay app until this year and there was items on there that couldn't have been billed for because they weren't complete so that was sent back to them to revise and we never received an updated copy so all of our projects we received pay apps throughout which you all see on the claims registers, uh, you've seen several from HIS for, um, the Big Rail as well as Overlay-Worman so, um, not really sure why we haven't received one currently but, yeah, we have not paid for the golf cart pathways yet.

Moore As you going to reach out to him so he knows what he needs to do?

Logsdon Uh, we, we had a, we had a meeting onsite as we did our walkthrough, our final inspection on some of it and, uh, kind of went over the requirements of the, of the contract so, we'll continue to work with them to wrap this up.

Moore Because it sounds like he didn't take the full message away from that if he was here after.

Stehr So if that doesn't resolve itself in the next month we will put that on next month's agenda for our next meeting and figure out what we need to do to get that done.

Logsdon Absolutely.

Stehr All right. Anything else, Jarod?

Logsdon That's all I have. I'll be back, uh, next time.

Claims

Casady Then we can approve, I, uh, I saw some expensive, expensive, uh, pet waste removal on there. Remember that one, no? Anyway, I move we approve claims as submitted.

Stehr Great. So we have a second on the claims?

Wollenberg Second.

Stehr John Wollenberg seconds. Tim Casady makes the motion. We can do that by acclamation. Uh, all in favor say aye.

All Aye.

Stehr All opposed.
[No response]

All right, we unanimously approve the claims. So, all that being said, uh, I want to remind you if you haven't signed the paperwork please do so before you leave, um, thank you – the minutes and the claims and our next meeting –

Pack Do we sign that MOU?

Stehr Yes. Not the MOU but the, um, uh, the Memorandum.

Moore There was something in here that –

Stehr It's, it's in there.

Pack Okay.

Stehr It's in the packet, so. Please sign that and, and get that to Amy, appreciate that. And, uh, our next meeting is July 13th. Thank you all for coming out tonight and we'll see you next month.

John Stehr, President

John Wollenburg, Secretary

Respectfully submitted,
Bonnie Black
Parks MAC Professional