

**MINUTES**  
**Park Board Meeting**  
**June 24, 2020**

The Park Board meeting was held at the Village of Versailles EMS facility and began at 8:00 a.m.

Those individuals in attendance were Marilyn Griesdorn, Ted Baltes, Connie Apple, Chairman Cory Griesdorn, Village Administrator Rodd Hale, and citizen Larry Hemmelgarn.

A motion was made by Ted Baltes, seconded by Connie Apple, to approve the agenda. Vote: all yeas.

A motion to approve the April 30, 2020 meeting minutes was made by Marilyn Griesdorn, seconded by Ted Baltes. Vote: all yeas.

Discussion regarding the 2020 Darke County Parks grant was had with Administrator Hale explaining that the Darke County Parks had notified the Village that there will be no grant funding this year. The grant was going to be used to create concrete for the new location of the batting cage. It was discussed that the batting cage will still be moved but there will obviously be no grant funding available for the concrete now.

Discussion was held regarding a special needs swing. Administrator Hale explained that Trina Winner, representing the Modern Mothers has been in communication with the Village and she is working with the Girl Scouts to coordinate the purchase of an ADA swing. Hale informed the Board that he expected Trina Winner to be at the Council meeting that evening to provide additional information.

Discussion was held regarding the cleaning of the playground equipment by Dabe Pressure Cleaning with Hale expressing he felt cleaning the playground equipment worked out well, but he would probably not suggest cleaning shelter house concrete and picnic tables in the future. Board members suggested continuing with cleaning the playground equipment every year or every other year in the future. Connie Apple stated the playground equipment looked really good after being cleaned.

Marilyn Griesdorn commented that she felt the Indian Creek scoreboard was difficult to see because the lights were dim. Administrator Hale explained that it was likely due to being in the morning because he has been out and operated the scoreboard and had no difficulty in seeing the lights. Cory Griesdorn commented that there is no way to regulate the brightness of the lights so it is likely that nothing has changed. Administrator Hale commented that there is not much that can be done in his opinion and he has heard no previous concerns.

Discussion then turned to the closing of the pool for the 2020 season with Administrator Hale and Councilmember Griesdorn providing background information on the Village Council coming to the decision to close the pool. Much thought and concern were put into the decision and it was not made quickly. Connie Apple stated that while she was originally not in favor of opening the pool, she now believes it was the correct decision to close it based on what she has seen at other pools that decided to open.

Larry Hemmelgarn discussed the pickle ball courts and it was decided by the Park Board to change the color of the courts to a green and blue that seems to be very common among pickle ball courts. Mr. Hemmelgarn had a sample of what the green and blue courts would look like and all agreed that it was a fresh new look. It is expected the resurfacing company will be in town in approximately two weeks and it should take approximately two weeks to complete the resurfacing of the tennis courts. It was also mentioned that it would be a good idea to install permanent post for pickle ball nets. All board members were in agreement.

With no further business to conduct a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ted Baltes, seconded by Connie Apple. Vote: all yeas.

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Chairman

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Village Administrator