## Monrovia Parks & Recreation Board Meeting March 21, 2023 140 E. Main Street (Municipal Building), Monrovia, IN 46157

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Board President Cora Collier, immediately followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The following Board members were present: Cora Collier, Lori Choate, Jon Hayse

The following Board members were absent: Brock Sears

<u>Guests/Citizens:</u> Loren Moore, Kevin Collier, Bruce Atkinson, Harold Atkinson, Brandi Brooks, Maria Chenault, Gregory & Yvonne Hughett

<u>Administration of Oath:</u> Board member Lori Choate was administered the Oath of Office by the Clerk-Treasurer

<u>Minutes:</u> Board member Hayse moved that the minutes from the February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 Board meeting be approved as written, seconded by Board President Collier. **All were in favor (3 Yea, 1 Absent)**, and the motion passed.

<u>Public Comment:</u> Gregory & Yvonne Hughett inquired as to what amenities were going to be installed on the 4-acre park property. Board President Collier responded that at this time the Board was considering the initial 3 aspects of the park development, which include: paved parking lot, picnic shelter, and walking path. The Board had recently conducted a survey to find out what amenities the citizens wanted. Survey results are included in the meeting's agenda. Yvonne Hughett provided the Board with contact information for organizations that may be able to assist with funding for park amenities. She also provided contact information for an individual that teaches trades to high school students who may be able to assist with park related construction needs.

## **Old Business:**

- Inspection and Disposition of Septic Tank at 270 W. Pray Street: The Town has not received a quote from AA Septic for this service. Board member Hayse stated that he would contact similar companies and obtain a quote.
- Park Impact Fee: The Board was provided with information regarding steps that the Town Council was taking to pursue the establishment of the Park Impact Fee. The Town attorney is researching it, and our engineer partners at Triad Associates are gathering preliminary information regarding a required Park Study.

## **New Business:**

• Picnic Structure – Possible Donation by Lions Club: President Collier stated that she and Town Council VP Kevin Collier had been in recent discussions with Lions Club member Kim Heald. Kim Heald is ensuring that the Lions Club President is aware of the request / need.

Park Board Survey Results: The Board was provided with a PowerPoint Board presentation reflecting survey results. 151 completed surveys were received from 3/10/23 – 3/16/2023. The results were charted in the presentation. Council President Collier requested that the presentation be placed on the Town web site for viewing by Monrovia's residents.

**Additional Business:** Board President Collier advised that the Town Council had received 2 nominations for candidates to replace the recently vacation Board seat. Guest Brandi Brooks requested consideration for the position – she worked for the Plainfield Parks & Recreation Department for 12 years and would like to bring her experience as a Board member.

With no additional business to discuss, Board member Hayse moved that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Board member Choate. All were in favor (3 Aye / 1 Absent), and the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Cora Collier, President

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Danny Chenault, Secretary

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