TOWN OF SCHERERVILLE SCHERERVILLE, IN
SPECIAL PARK BOARD MEETING MARCH 18, 2022

The Regular Park Board Meeting of the Town of Schererville, Indiana, was called to order by President Brad Bassick at 8:30 a.m. in the Schererville Community Center, 500 East Joliet Street, Schererville, Indiana.

The Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance was taken with the following Board Members present: Brad Bassick, Tom Malinowski, Ed Repay, Joe Skvarek, and Nicole Kelly. Staff members present: Superintendent John Novacich, Administrative Coordinator Irene Mireles, Recreation Coordinator Joshua Barnes Attorney Christian Bartholomew and Recording Secretary Kristen Bohling.

THEREUPON, New Business

ITEM A. Consider Acceptance of Splash Pad Project Proposal

Mr. Novacich said that he initially received two proposals that came in higher than the engineer's estimate and therefore were not brought to the Board. He said there was internal discussions with staff about doing more of the work in house and look at some of the contractors the Town works with. Mr. Novacich said he then received a third proposal from George's Landscaping that was within the engineer's estimate. He said he called around for references and was informed they have numerous splash pads for Illinois Park Districts. Mr. Novacich said his recommendation would be to award the project to George's Landscaping.

Mr. Repay asked Mr. Novacich about the exclusions on the proposal and whether or not it was standard to not include some of the items listed. Mr. Novacich said the permit are the permits that are needed from the Town that will get waived and there will not be any bonding costs. He said everything else on the list are things that will be provided by the Department.

Mr. Bassick asked Mr. Novacich if there are costs adjustments that should be expected with the way the market is and the fact that the other proposals are significantly higher. Mr. Novacich said he discussed that with the contractor and the reason for getting the proposal approved so quickly was so the contractor could lock in some prices. He also said that the contractor is currently working on a splash pad now so he is already has an idea of the costs. Mr. Novacich said if the Board approves the proposal the contractor said he can start work at end of April. Mr. Bassick asked if a timeline was given on when the work can be done. Mr. Novacich said the contractor estimated about a month.

Mr. Malinowski asked Mr. Novacich if George's Landscaping will be all the work: electrical, plumbing, etc. Mr. Novacich said Public Works will make the tap into the water main, but other than that except for the landscaping and grading, they will be doing everything else. Mr. Bassick asked Mr. Novacich if the Department is responsible for a walkway. Mr. Novacich said the Department will still have to do other improvements, such as making a connection to the restrooms and trail and possible shade structures. Mr. Bassick said he would like to discuss these things at the next meeting.

Mr. Malinowski asked if the motion made at the March 2 meeting needed to be rescinded. Attorney Christian Bartholomew said when a motion is made include that any previous contradictory motions that may have been made are superseded by this vote.

Mr. Repay asked Mr. Novacich who is discussing and/or negotiating the parking situation with Sherwood Golf. Mr. Novacich said if the Board feels that

there needs to be a formal agreement that is something that would have to be discussed, however there is correspondence from Sherwood Golf indicating that the parking lot can be used. The Board agreed that there should be a formal agreement.

Mr. Skvarek made a motion to accept the splash pad project proposal from George's Landscaping in the amount of $108,226.00 and in lieu of any previous motions made. Mr. Repay seconded the motion. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM B. Any other from Park Board

THEREUPON, Business from the floor NONE

Ms. Kelly made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Repay. All in favor (5-0).

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