



MONTHLY MOORESVILLE PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 10, 2025

A meeting of the Park Board of the Moorsville Parks and Recreation, Morgan County, Indiana, was held on the 10th day of November 2025 in the Moorsville Park Office at 1101 Indianapolis Road Moorsville, IN 46158

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice President Mark Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

2. ATTENDANCE & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Vice President Mark Taylor determined a quorum was established.

Board members in attendance:

NAME:	APPOINTED BY:	TERM:	NEXT APPT.
Mark Taylor	Moorsville Town Council	4 years	1/2028
Danny Lundy	Moorsville Town Council	4 years	1/2027
Brent Callahan	Moorsville Town Council	4 years	1/2027
Lynn Adams	Moorsville Public Library	1 year	1/2026
Matt Saner	Moorsville Schools	1 year	1/2026
Danny Shaw	Moorsville Town Council	4 years	01/2028

Staff in attendance:

Philip Cornelius	Superintendent
Keelan Simpson	Assistant Superintendent
Stacy Freeman	Office Manager

3. CITIZENS COMMENTS

No citizens comments relating to the agenda for November 10 2025

4. APPROVE OF MINUTES

4.1 Upon a motion by Lynn Adams seconded by Danny Shaw the Board 6-0 approve and accept October 9, 2025, meeting minutes.

5. APPROVE OF CLAIMS



5.1 Upon a motion by Matt Saner, seconded by Brent Callahan the Board 6-0 approve and accept the October 6 – November 9, 2025, claims.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6.1 Member B. Callahan is formally requesting a paper copy of the Master Plan. If need be, the Town Attorney to get involved to have Troyer group provide the Park with a printable copy of the Master Plan.

Upon a motion by Brent Callahan, seconded by Matt Saner, the Board voted 6-0 to approve the request to get legal involved if Troyer group can not furnish the Master Plan in a printable format.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 The General Operations Fund is projected to be overdrawn by \$16,948 due to payroll expenses through December. Additional costs, including utilities, trash removal, and winterization, are expected to increase expenses by approximately \$25,195. The self-funded insurance plan for 2025 has faced higher-than-expected claims, particularly in the second and third quarters, impacting the budget. Equipment repair costs have exceeded planned budgets due to emergency repairs from a water main break and unexpected repairs and inventory needs.

A special appropriation of \$50,000 from the Non-Reverting Fund is requested to cover the projected shortfall and maintain service delivery through year-end.

Upon a motion by Matt Saner, seconded by Danny Shaw, the Board voted 6-0 to approve and accept the additional appropriation of \$50,000 from the Non-Reverting fund to cover the 2025 budget shortfall.

7.2 Superintendent Cornelius request permission to seek a \$20,000 grant from the Indiana Department of Health for the 2026 Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, matched by \$20,000 from local funds. The plan will evaluate existing routes to enhance accessibility between Echo Hollow Park and Pioneer Park, create an ADA-accessible network linking five parks, and identify safety improvements. This initiative will also position Mooresville for future funding opportunities.

Upon a motion by Matt Saner, seconded by Lynn Adams the Board 6-0, to approve the request for Superintendent Cornelius to move forward with the grant process.

SUPPORTING

8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS



8.1 Assistant Superintendent Report

- 8.1.1 RECU is functioning well and aims to spend time outdoors before winter. They are seeking additional morning staff for better operation. Additionally, RECU will be closed for Thanksgiving Break from November 26-28.
- 8.1.2 Our holiday program registration is now open. We will be offering Letters from Santa and hosting two flashlight candy cane hunts. The candy cane hunts will take place on Tuesday, December 16, and Thursday, December 18, at 6 PM. Please note that registration for these events is required.
- 8.1.3 The fee schedule for 2026 will be developed soon. The Park Board will review and approve this schedule in December.
- 8.1.4 This year, we estimate that around 1,250 kids participated in our Halloween Hike. A big thank you to everyone in the office, all our volunteers, and our sponsors for making this event possible; we couldn't have done it without your support. People really enjoyed the new, larger items we introduced.
- 8.1.5 The annual tree lighting will be on Saturday, December 6, from 4 to 6 pm, with the tree lit at 6 pm. It will coincide with Victorian Christmas and will feature a craft for kids, yard games, music, and snacks.
- 8.1.6 The Park Board acknowledges Telly for her upcoming IPRA award and commends her excellent work for the department, expressing gratitude for having her on the team.

8.2 Superintendent Report

- 8.2.1 The Pioneer Park Project has a standing agenda item for BOT Disbursement #4, totaling \$658,300.58 for completed milestones. The RDC voted to approve this disbursement, bringing the total project costs to \$2,356,997.30.
- 8.2.2 Potential Park Land Update: -A second appraisal of the property has been completed, with both appraisals valuing it at \$195,000. The property owner is open to selling at this price. The purchase is not expected to close until mid-first quarter of next year. Financial support is needed from the Town of Mooresville for the purchase, as the current Park budget cannot authorize it. A letter of intent or purchase agreement is required to formalize the owner's verbal agreement, ensuring the Town/Park has the first right of refusal.
- 8.2.3 A preferred foundation support option for the new barn has been proposed, bringing the building to the structural quality of the existing maintenance building. This option will cost an additional \$29,384, covered by the contingency fund. Following this expenditure, the contingency fund will be reduced to approximately \$140,000. This solution is necessary to finalize the construction documentation required for the state permit.



8.2.4 C2it has not provided positive results from the Park Department website and we are concerned it may not be the best option. If there is no progress by the December meeting, I doubt we will see results in the future.

10. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Board Member Brent Callahan would like to formally congratulate Superintendent Phil Cornelius on becoming a member of the Echo Hallow Park Foundation.

11. BOARD MEMBER'S COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion made by Brent Callahan, seconded by Danny Shaw, the Board adjourned.

Brent Callahan 12/8/25

Danny Shaw 08 Dec 2025