

MEMO

To: Park Board

From: Greg Vitale, Director of Parks and Recreation

Date: May 21, 2019

Re: Five Year Master Plan Discussion and Adoption of Resolution 2019-02

The Director of Parks and Recreation and Planning Resources is pleased to announce that the Indiana Department of Natural Resources has approved the master plan. This lengthy process, although not mandatory, allows the department to be eligible for most IDNR and State of Indiana grants, it allows the plan to be permanently filed away in the State records and it officially identifies all Munster Parks by classification.

As a result of this process, a Sustainability section and dozens of additional recommendations were added to the plan. These will be discussed at the meeting. Upon the conclusion of the discussion, the Park Board will be encouraged to adopt the final plan.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Park Board adopt Resolution 2019-02: 2020-2025 Town of Munster Five Year Parks and Recreation Master Plan.



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April 25th, 2019

Dear Ms. Paulsen,

The DNR Division of Outdoor Recreation planning staff has reviewed the final draft of the 2020-2025 Munster Five Year Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The plan meets the Department of Natural Resources' minimum requirements for local parks and recreation master plans. This letter certifies that your community **is eligible to apply for Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grants through this office in the 2020 grant year.** A new plan will be due on January 15th, 2026, at which time your current LWCF grant application eligibility will expire.

If you haven't already, we strongly recommend that you contact Mr. Bob Bronson, our grant section chief, as soon as possible about future grant applications. Bob and his staff can assist in your grant application process. He can be reached by phone at: (317) 232-4075 or by e-mail at: bbronson@dnr.IN.gov.

We support your planning efforts and encourage your participation in the grant programs administered by the Division of Outdoor Recreation. If you require further information regarding planning, do not hesitate to call me at: (317) 232-4071 or by e-mail at: gbeilfuss@dnr.IN.gov.

Sincerely,

Greg Beilfuss
Chief Planner - IDNR Division of Outdoor Recreation

ECC – Greg Vitale, Munster Parks Dir.