ORDINANCE NO. 2014-3

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

Section 1: Under the provisions of Indiana Code 36-10-3 there is hereby created a Department of Parks and Recreation for the Town of Fort Branch, Indiana. The Department of Parks and Recreation for the Town of Fort Branch, Indiana, shall be governed by a Park and Recreation Board composed of four members appointed by the Town Council on the basis of their interest in and knowledge of parks and recreation. All members of the Board must be residents of the Town of Fort Branch, and no more than two members of the Board shall be of the same political party.

Section 2: The Town Council may, by a majority vote, waive the requirement that a member of the Parks and Recreation Board be affiliated with a political party

Section 3: The Town Council may, by a majority vote, waive the requirement that not more than two (2) of the four (4) members of the Parks and Recreation Board be affiliated with the same political party. The Town Council may vote for a waiver only if the waiver is necessary due to the absence of persons who are willing to serve on the Parks and Recreation Board and who satisfy any or all of the requirements.

Section 4: Upon establishment of the Board, the terms initially appointed shall be:

One member for a term of one year; One member for a term of two years; One member for a term of three years; and One member for a term of four years.

As a term expires, each new appointment shall be made by the Town Council for a term of four years. All terms expire on the first Monday in January, but a member shall continue in office until his successor is appointed. If an appointment for a new term is not made by the first Monday in April, the incumbent shall serve another term. If a vacancy occurs, the Town Council shall appoint a new member for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Section 5: At its first regular meeting in each year, the Board shall elect a President and Vice President. The Vice President shall have authority to act as the President of the Board during the absence or disability of the President. The Board may select a Secretary from within or without its own membership.

Section 6: The Board shall have the power to perform all acts necessary to acquire and develop sites and facilities and to conduct such programs as are generally understood to be park and recreation functions. In addition, the Board shall have all the powers listed in I.C. 36-10-3 et seq.

Section 7: The Board shall prepare and submit an annual budget in the same manner as other departments of Town government as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts. The Board may accept gifts, donations, and subsidies for park and recreation purposes.

Section 8: All other ordinances, resolutions, or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions and intent of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 9: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Council of the Town of Fort Branch, Indiana, this 14^{th} day of May, 2014.

COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT BRANCH, INDIANA

ΓΟΜ WALLACE, President

HAROLD WOLF, Member

ADAM BLEDSOE, Member

ATTEST:

STACY ELPERS, Clerk-Treasurer