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## **Town Council Report: August, 2010 Parks and Recreation Activity Highlights:**

### *Park Improvement/Construction Projects Updates*

- Elm Street Green has really picked up the pace now that the site has finally dried in August. Both shelters are up and substantially complete. The trail are primarily completed. The asphalt roadways and parking zones have nearly all received their base coat and several have their finish coat in place. The stone wall at the edge of the upland is also completed. Look for significant landscape work during Sept.
- The Turkey Foot Project has now had the DNR-directed culvert put into place and has been cut to grade along its length. By the end of the week of Town Council meeting it will be ready for the gravel sub-base of the trail between the north side of the bridge and the eastern terminus.

### *Other Highlighted Matters*

- There have been two intensive public safety meetings discussing issues within the Town in general and Starkey Park in particular. In addition to park department participation, representatives at the first meeting included public safety staff, planning staff, street department staff, and the Town Manager. The second meeting, a two-hour walkthrough of Starkey Park trails included much the same group with the absence of planning staff and the Town Manager, and the inclusion of the Town's insurance representative. At a recent Special Park Board meeting, members recommended the identification and engagement of a safety/wafinding specialist firm experienced in the area of safety and directional signage.
- The Zionsville Park's Golf Course gross profit numbers for July (which were not ready at the time of the preparation of the previous Council report as the month had not yet been completed) were ~\$45,635. The gross profit numbers for August were ~\$39,928. This compares to 2009 gross profit numbers in July and August 2009 of ~\$48,553 and ~\$48,130, respectively. It has been suggested the wet weather in July and the extremely hot weather in August played a part in these differences between 2009 and 2010. The mid August net totals for the golf fund stood at \$140,152 which would indicated a net 2010 net profit of about \$58,785 (as of mid August).