

## Parks Minutes 6.10.19

The Parks Board met at Memorial Park on Tuesday, June 10, 2019.

In attendance: Matt Scott, Steve Bergleitner, Taylor Barton, Marge Fish, Patrick Muro, Kelly Pajala, Nadine Van Houten, Harry Lux

The meeting was called to order at 6:15.

There were no deletions to the agenda. Kelly made a motion to add purchasing flowers for Candy Bliss at the transfer station to the agenda. The motion was seconded and passed.

Marge made a motion to pay for the purchase of flowers for Candy Bliss to have out at the transfer station. Matt seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Marge made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Steve seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Matt gave an update on the meeting he had with Glebe Mountain Gardens about installing the butterfly garden. It looks like the project will move ahead and we will try to raise the \$5000 budget for it with donations, with the understanding that Memorial Park money can be used to make up the difference. Glebe Mountain Gardens may also volunteer labor or materials. Matt had a list of suggested plants so people can see if they can get some of them donated.

The Bench that Mountain Valley donated has been granted permission to be moved out of the park. Taylor will contact the family member who had requested the relocation to set the moving process in motion. The tree will remain where it is planted.

The beach sand will be difficult to have delivered and spread out. We will ask Leigh if she can organize getting that task done. It may need to wait until the fall or spring when we can drain the water from the pond.

There was no Music Monday update.

We did not discuss the entrance at Pingree Park. However, we talked about the need for a new mower and having the parks mowed more frequently. The board could not agree on a way of funding the purchase of a new mower but does not feel that the full cost should come out of the special funds for the parks. There was also discussion of whether the mowing should be subcontracted out or continue to have the town employees mow. Marge made a motion to have the park's board go to the next select board meeting, Monday at 7:00 to talk about how to pay for a new mower. The motion was seconded and it passed.

The dog fence is still breached. The Tree has been cut up enough to repair the hole. The fence company has been called but can't get to the repair quickly so snow fencing has been ordered. Leigh will pick up the snow fencing this week and put it up temporarily to patch the hole in the chain link fence.

Marge asked that Leigh work on the walking trail at Pingree. Leigh has already started cutting back vegetation on the trail and will work on it again this week.

We talked about the pump track project and the fact that more fundraising and grant writing will be required to have enough money to install the pump track. Harry said he has an idea to put a t-ball field in at Pingree since the baseball program is growing again. There was some discussion around altering the pump track plan and to allow for a t-ball field in the upper field location. Given the time it will take to fundraise the rest of the money for the pump track the discussion was tabled until we get closer to putting the pump track in to see if the baseball program continues to grow and what the space might look like. The pump track plan will continue to move forward and FBAA can continue to use the ball field as it is until changes have to happen.

The Serve group will be here the second and third weeks in July and they do have time to help us with the parks. We think they can help with staining the play structure and with the new grill area at Memorial park. They can do some trail maintenance at Pingree park. We might come up with a few other small projects.

Taylor talked about the new grill and patio space to be installed next to the pavilion at Memorial. It was agreed that we would install a large stand-alone park style grill and create a large patio area with a low retaining wall with precast concrete blocks. We might be able to ask the Serve group to help with the patio area.

Marge said she would flag the trail at Memorial Park before the snow falls but she would like to use a GPS to be able to map it accurately. We will have to find someone who knows how to do that.

Marge made a motion that we have a no reservations policy for public use of court time on the basketball and tennis courts. Patrick seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Marge made a motion that we not provide locked storage for equipment that is not for public use. Patrick seconded the motion. The motion passed.

We scheduled the next two meetings for June 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 at the Town office and July 1<sup>st</sup> @6:00 at Pingree park.

Patrick made a motion to adjourn. Matt seconded it. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:45.