

Parks Board Minutes from 10/6/2021

Call to Order at 7:03

Present: Terry Pierce, Pat Trainor, Gayle Partain, Tim Pike, Preston King, John Strong
Late arrival: Doug McKenney

Next Meeting: 11/3/2021

Approval of Minutes:

Sept. 2021: No minutes available

New Business:

- Bike racks @ Behrend Park
 - a. Cyclists are currently using the gazebo.
 - b. Neighborhood recommends racks be placed by the gazebo.
 - c. Preston – Possibly 2 racks, ordered and waiting on delivery. This location is 1st on the list for installation.

Old Business:

- Skatepark expansion
 - a. Commissioners overall support the project
 - b. Need to continue gathering signatures
 - c. Jim Brown told Gabe to work w/ locals
 - d. Discussion: Possible flower garden being placed near the skate park. Some review needs to be done regarding stormwater management and potential issues.
- Park Rules and Regulation
 - a. Discussion: Any insurance cert submitted by the permit holder or distiller? Concerns of precedent being set regarding alcohol in parks.
 - b. Parks board is not authorized to decide on alcohol sales – that falls on the commissioners
 - c. Decision to let it ride to until Spring Permits
 - d. Need to look at how this compared to other towns.
- Dog Park Rules and Regulation
 - a. Proposal was discussed with Dr. Eeg.
 - b. Suggestions included remove the old signs and replace
 - c. Attachment with the proposed updated changes was distributed to the board for review. Discussion ensued about limits to the number of dogs allowed per handler and sharing of water. The water sharing was an issue from Day 1. Idea of getting Drs. Eeg or Hernandez to do a PSA regarding dog diseases was floated as a possibility. Preston's crew will remove jugs and other items left in the park.

- d. Decisions was made to reach out to the community for feedback via town pages or survey.
- Comprehensive Plan
 - a. Firm was hired to do the plan.
 - b. They will reach out to the Parks Board.

Superintendent's Report

- Equipment needs will have to be discussed soon.
- EVs being pushed, but they aren't practical for snow removal and big tasks
- Christmas lighting is being inspected and plans are moving forward
- Snow prep begins soon.
- Plans have been submitted with the county for the Halmos bathroom replacement
- Stevens Park structure replacement in discussions

Commissioners Report

- None

Adjournment: 8:55

Motion to Adjourn by Pat, seconded by Tim

Motion passes 4-0-1