



**GREEN SPACE/PARK COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: April 7, 2021

IN ATTENDANCE:

Pat Hogan Doug Dresie Randy Page Loretta Rokey Dan Newyear
Lori Wilson Michelle Balside John Koehler George Carpenter Ward Wenstrup
Emily Cherry

NOTE: MEETING WAS CONDUCTED UTILIZING ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCING IN ORDER TO KEEP ATTENDEES SAFE AND COMPLY WITH COVID-19 GUIDELINES.

Park Improvements	
1.1	<p>Master Plan Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 2, 2021 is currently the date for the joint meeting with the Trustees. Goal is to have rough draft of update for this meeting. • Loretta recommended reaching out to Eddie McCarthy for a “PIN” map of the Township with Parks identified. • The group discussed content, and we should try to keep different topics to one page. Content should be kept at a higher level rather than too much detail. Details will work themselves out as initiatives are developed.
1.2	<p>Clermont County Parks Grant: Loretta advised that the Township will be receiving \$10,000 from the Clermont County Parks Levy Grant program toward ballfield fencing.</p>
1.3	<p>Locust Corner Park Playground Equipment: The replacement climbing panel has arrived and been installed.</p>
1.4	<p>History Trail: The signs are nearly all complete. The locations need to be marked again. George and John to meet and mark the locations.</p>
1.5	<p>Amelia Park Signs: The signs are to be installed on Saturday, 4/10/21. The Service Department will remove the old signs on Friday, 4/9/21.</p>

Dog Park Updates	
2.1	<p>Progress Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KEP Electric/Midwestern Plumbing installed water line for water fountain. • Service Department has poured the concrete for the entrance. • John advised that Couch Fence contacted him regarding material price increases. Steel prices are increasing rapidly. Their price has increased by \$4,500. This will require Trustee approval. • Lori suggested that a ribbon cutting ceremony be conducted in conjunction with a costume event in October as well as considerations for COVID. George recommended the ribbon cutting happen sooner; perhaps in conjunction with the History Trail. The ribbon cutting is more about the opening and a press event. • Pat Hogan has an old fire hydrant to donate to the Dog Park. It needs to be mounted in concrete. The Service Department can help with this. Doug is to forward photo Pat provided.

	Other Business
3.1	Detective Bill Brewer Memorial: No new update at this time.
3.2	501c3 Development: No new update at this time.
3.3	Pollinator Garden: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Randy has not received an update from Jonathan Wood, who is an architect donating his services for this initiative. • Randy has discussed some potential ideas with John Koehler regarding a retaining wall. Randy and Darlene Page are proposing donating material. • Randy advised that Natorps and the Cincinnati Zoo may be donating plants for the Pollinator Garden. • Doug mentioned that the Cincinnati Nature Center has a program around Earth Day for free seed packets available at Larosas and Graeters.
3.4	Scout Project Updates: Pat provided the following updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Locust Corner Park Running/Hiking Trail Addition: Emily Cherry joined the meeting to present her Eagle Scout project. Her plan is to add approximately one mile of trail for hiking or running. The Committee supports this project. The work would be completed by the end of May. Pat is to forward waiver documents to Emily. The group will meet on Sunday, April 11, at 12pm to review the route. • Nature Park trail repairs: This project will happen in April and May.
3.5	Miscellaneous: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The concrete at the Groh Park shelter needs to be pressure washed. The wood table tops really need to be replaced as well. • Loretta noted that the Port-o-let enclosure at Groh Park may have been vandalized and needs to be replaced. • Michelle received an e-mail from a resident around Arrowhead Park regarding the equipment and needs for upgrade. The Committee needs to include recommendations for Arrowhead Park in the Master Plan.

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, May 5, 2021, 6:30pm

Minutes prepared by: Doug Dresie