

GREEN SPACE/PARK COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE: January 6, 2021

IN ATTENDANCE:

Pat Hogan Doug Dresie Randy Page Darlene Page Anne Campbell Loretta Rokey Lori Wilson Michelle Balside John Koehler Eddie McCarthy Pete Kambelos Michelle Balside George Carpenter

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

	Park Improvements
1.1	Master Plan Updates: The group reviewed the proposed outline. The following were comments: The proposed tree donation program should be included and incorporate the cemetery into it. Bench donation program: Check if it was in the original Master Plan, and ensure it is included. Add potential of starting a 501c3 for the Parks.
	Doug and George are to discuss format from previous Master Plan and use of Shutterfly to produce the books.
1.2	Clermont County Parks Grant: The Township has received the application for the next round of Clermont County Parks Levy grants. Application deadline is January 26, 2021. 25% local match required for projects over \$10K. Potential projects to request for the Grant: • Discussed playground equipment at Groh Park as a priority. To replace all of the equipment will be considerably more than the maximum grant amount. The group discussed doing a small portion as a start. Loretta noted that the grant requires 3 bids, and we only have the one quote from DW Associates. It would be difficult to receive "apples to apples" quotes from different playground equipment companies. Randy to reach out to Chris Clingman on an exception to the 3 bid rule in this case. • The group also discussed replacing the fencing at Locust Corner Park. It was noted that bids received a few years ago were over \$50K. It was discussed replacing a smaller amount of fencing as a start, that would require less funds. John Koehler to reach out to previous bidders to get revised quotes.
1.3	History Trail: George stated that the 3 rd sign content (1937 Flood) was ready for production. John stated that the Township has received the pedestals. George is working on the 4 th sign content (Early Settlements). The 5 th sign will be on the History of Amelia.
1.4	Amelia Park Signs: There is no new activity for an alternative sign company to use. Randy will pursue the potential Amelia vendor.

	Dog Park Updates
2.1	Progress Update:
	Kevin Padgett has not provided a date for the water line installation. They may also run and electrical line as
	well for future (if needed). The water fountain is to ship mid-January. John has talked to the fence
	contractor and they are prepared to get started after the water line and concrete pad are installed.

	Other Business
3.1	Detective Bill Brewer Memorial: George had provided an architect contact to Chief Bachman. Chief Bachman may have another design contact as well.
3.2	Park Shelter Rules/Rentals: Discussed the rules and feedback from other Parks (Anderson and Clermont County). It is still believed that deposit is necessary. There should also be language that for the Learning Center, the restrooms would still be open to the public.
3.3	Boy Scout Projects: Pat reported that there is additional interest from a girl's troop. Potential interest in building a bridge or a running trail.
3.4	 Tree Initiatives/Programs: The group reviewed the potential signs (cast aluminum or stainless steel) or a stone. Concern was mentioned about a stone being covered up by mulch. Potential tree cost was reviewed. John recommended including \$100 for installation of the tree and plaque. Doug suggested keeping the cost no more than \$500 for the donation program. Randy stated that we should consider tree species options to incorporate the program into the Arboretum development. This should include the cemetery as well.
3.5	Loretta mentioned that someone had inquired about holding a run/race fundraiser at the Park and requested feedback. Some considerations would be resources required by the Township such as police for traffic control, etc. COVID-19 was also mentioned as a concern and should the Township allow a large gathering during the pandemic.
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NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, February 3, 2021, 6:30pm

Minutes prepared by: Doug Dresie

Pierce Township Parks Master Plan 2020

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Accomplishments from Master Plan 2016
 - 2.1 Completed Projects
 - 2.2 Pending Projects
- 3. Existing Assets
 - 3.1 Additions
- 4. Items Remaining from 2016
- 5. New Initiatives
 - 5.1 Locust Corner Park and Sports Fields
 - 5.2 Park and Nature Space
 - 5.3 Pierce Preserve & Trails
 - 5.4 Groh Park
 - 5.5 Spencer Shank Park
 - 5.6 Arrowhead Playground
- 6. Design Standards
- 7. Conceptual Estimates

Tree Donation Recognition Ideas

4" x 6" Cast aluminum w/ stake \$59.99 www.k2awards.com





7.5"x12" Polyresin and sand \$44.00 (although on sale now at \$33.79 https://www.personalizationmall.com/Garden-Stones

