



**Freedom Park Board
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Freedom Park Board

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Freedom Park Board
Lowell Town Council

Alice Dahl
Cedar Creek Township
Freedom Park Board

Tom Sullivan
Park Superintendent

FREEDOM PARK

Freedom Park Board Meeting
December 16, 2014
6:00pm

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Board Member, Randy Hall led members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present:

Board Members Randy Hall, Harold Mussman, Alice Dahl were present. Also present, Tom Sullivan and guest Paul Crouse. Press member Lola Jean Brink of the Lowell Tribune was also present

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the November 2014 minutes was made by Alice Dahl and seconded by Harold Mussman.

Review of Freedom Park Claims:

After review of claims submitted from the November and December 8th Town Council meetings, motion to approve claims was made by Alice Dahl and seconded by Harold Mussman.

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Reports:

Freedom Park Updates

Mr. Sullivan began with stating that the mowing equipment is now stored inside for the season and that the 5400 tractor is still at the street department. He also suggested that the committee wait until 2015 to repair it, due to lack of funds remaining in 2014's budget. Discussion followed about the cost to repair the tractor. Mr. Sullivan stated it's hard to diagnose and he will be better equipped to advise the committee on the costs once he can have it looked at.

Bark Park Updates

It was agreed that posting a sign stating non-members who were caught trespassing would pay a fine is not necessary to do at this time.

Bark Park gate locks were then discussed. Mr. Sullivan suggested to the committee that he would like to go to a dead bolt type lock and he is currently working with Tri-Creek lumber on this project. The pin pad lock system was discussed again. The cost for this type of system is used in Schererville Parks and can be quite costly to obtain. The committee agreed to try the dead bolt lock system that Mr. Sullivan suggested at this time. He also reported that Bark Park memberships for 2014 were at 103 members. Alice Dahl was inquiring about the revenue from the bark park. She was instructed by Tom Sullivan to review the revenue detail history report. Mr. Sullivan concluded that he had nothing further to report at this time.

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Old Business:

Old business about the volleyball courts was discussed. Tom Sullivan said he has started pricing the upcoming project and hopes to get the courts in next spring. The remaining gravel for the pathways was brought up by Alice Dahl and Tom Sullivan recommended that spring would be an ideal time to revisit the pathways and the use of the remaining gravel.

Mr. Crouse was addressed about the use of his food truck at Freedom Park and he was instructed to watch for the vendor bid announcement that is announced in March.

New Business:

No new business was addressed at this time.

Adjournment:

Harold Mussman made a motion to adjourn at 6:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Recreation Director Mind Arnold-Buchler