



**Freedom Park Board
Members**

Chairperson
Freedom Park Board
Randy Hall

Executive Secretary
Harold Mussman
West Creek Township

Lowell Town Council
LeAnn Angerman
Member

Freedom Park Board
Alice Dahl
Cedar Creek Township
Member

Tom Sullivan
Park Superintendent

FREEDOM PARK

Freedom Park Meeting Minutes
Tuesday October 20, 2015
6:00p.m.

Start Time: 6:00p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present;

Board Members/Public Present:

Randy Hall, Harold Mussman and LeAnn Angerman were present. Board Member Alice Dahl was unable to attend. Park Superintendent Tom Sullivan was present; also Candy Johnson, Park Secretary. Press Member Robin Johnson was also present along with guest Paul Krause.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the September 2015 minutes was made by LeAnn Angerman with a second by Harold Mussman. Motion carried 3/0

Review Freedom Park Claim:

After review the Freedom Park claims, motion to approve was made by LeAnn Angerman with a second by Randy Hall. Motion carried 3/0

Freedom Park Updates:

Superintendent Sullivan reported that all park equipment is good. Tom added that as of today, the rubber mulch has not been spread in the playground area. After discussion LeAnn Angerman advised that she would check into getting the mulch in before cold weather sets in.

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In other business the "Barktoberfest" was a success with 80+ people and pets present. The weather, though sunny was very windy and quite chilly. However, all feedback has been very positive, and the The Lowell Women's Club, Relay for Life representatives and Mindi did a great job of resurrecting and putting this program together.

In other business, Tom reported that mowing is continuing but slowing down as cold weather approaches.

Tom also reported that there is one (1) more "Disc Golf" tournament in the works before the end of the year. Plans are for this event to take place sometime in November, most likely on a Sunday.

Also, Ron Brown has donated a 3-way information center for Freedom Park. I am not sure where we will place the "info center"; however, I would like to place it somewhere close to the entrance of Freedom Park. Tom added that Ron and his wife Luann have been very generous with Freedom Park over the years by donating numerous items.

In other business, LeAnn Angerman asked if there has been any progress with the walking path. Tom advised that he has access to equipment any time; however he has not been able to locate volunteers this year. People who have volunteered their help in the past have been extremely busy this year and unable to offer volunteer help.

Randy Hall asked how much cash is left in the funds that have been designated for the stone purchased for the walking path. Randy Hall asked how much has been spent on the transportation. LeAnn responded that the funds that have been appropriated (\$6000.00) have been used. Randy advised that he had recently spoken with the trucking company who has been delivering materials for the walking path. Most of the funds that were appropriated for materials have been used. Discussion followed.

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Discussion moved on to the volleyball courts. All equipment has been purchased. The anchors are in the ground. We are just waiting for the "ground work" to be completed. Discussion followed.

Randy Hall asked the status on the water tower that is being put in out at Freedom Park. LeAnn Angerman advised that work will not begin until spring of 2016. They are currently working on the design of the tower now. A question and answer period followed. Alice Dahl had inquired via Randy Hall whether there will be cell phone antennae

Mounted on the water tower and if so, would Freedom Park benefit financially from this. Discussion followed.

Old Business:

Dog Park Updates:

Candy Johnson reported that there are currently 82 members and total revenue of \$3725.00. Candy advised that at the Barktoberfest, several people visited our park tent and picked up bark park applications. LeAnn asked if memberships for the remainder of the year are "pro-rated". Cost for a membership for the remainder of the year is \$30.00. The current access key will be changed in January 2016 and the membership fee will go back to: \$60.00 Cedar Creek, West Creek and Eagle Creek residents and \$70.00 for non-residents.

In other business, Randy Hall asked Tom if he still had a part-time maintenance person. Tom replied that he does, however he is seasonal and his employment is coming to an end.

Discussion followed with regard to the "disc golf".

Randy advised that he had recently spoken with Brian Cummins. (Brian was influential in the design of the disc golf course here at Freedom Park and is very involved with the "course" at Lemon Lake.) Brian advised that the disc golf club would like to hold more

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tournaments here at Freedom Park. They are hoping to hold another tournament at Freedom Park in November. Discussion followed.

New Business:
None

Announcements & Correspondence:

Hot dog vendor Paul Krause was present. Randy asked him if he would be available in November for a disc golf tournament and he advised that he would, however he would need to update his permits. A brief discussion followed.

The next meeting of the Freedom Park Board will be held on Tuesday November 18, 2015 at 6:00p.m. at the Lowell Town Hall.

Public Comment:
None

Adjournment:
Motion to adjourn made by Randy Hall with a second by Harold Mussman. Motion to adjourn carried 3/0 at 6:21p.m..