

# FREEDOM PARK

Freedom Park Board Meeting  
Thursday June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
10 Am at Lowell Town Hall 501 E. Main St

## **CALL TO ORDER FOLLOWED BY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Heidi Laub called the meeting to order and led the meeting attendees in speaking the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**-Heide Laub, Alice Dahl, John Alessia, Dorothy Eich and Cyndi Hughes, Craig Hendrix

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**-John Alessia made a motion to approve minutes from February 16<sup>th</sup>, and Alice Dahl second the motion. Minutes signed and approved by Heide Laub

**REVIEW OF FREEDOM PARK CLAIMS**- After review, Alice Dahl made a motion to approve, and John Alesia seconded.

**REPORTS**-Cyndi Hughes reported that the current Bark Park membership was at 95. She reported no known incidents since the last time the board members discussed the park situations at hand, Kevin Gray reported repairs needed on the batwing mower that would need to be done soon.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **BARK PARK ADA IMPROVEMENT-**

Craig Hendrix reported the update on the ADA Improvement projects and all agreed to table this project until all funding is secured for the project.

**PICKLE BALL COURT PROJECT STATUS-** Pickle Ball court project funding was then discussed. Everyone agreed that this is a project we want to move forward on and several options for funding were discussed including removing some items that are currently included in the bids. Everyone agreed to contribute to this project and work on making these happen discussion of timeline for this project will happen once funding is secured. John Alesia approved made motion to approve, seconded by Alice Dahl.

### **MAINTENANCE UPDATE-**

Much discussion was had on how to secure funding for a new mower that would be needed soon. Everyone decided to table this discussion until the mowing season was over. Some leasing and other options regarding obtaining a new mower would be investigated for further discussion. Also, a decision was made to remove the fencing around the skate park for safety reasons and new equipment for the park would be investigated. It was also decided that the old bleachers and wagon would be removed from the disc golf area.

### **PARK OFFICE DEMOLITION**

Craig Hendrix reported that the demolition of the park office was moving forward, water lines are now secure. Craig noted that gas and electricity would be shut as the wells would also need to be closed. He also noted that the property would be used by the LFD for fire safety training purposes.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**2024 BUDGET**

Judy Walters suggested that the budget for next year be raised, and Heidi Laub asked to be able to review her current budget information before making that decision

**Fall Soccer Information**

Cyndi Hughes reported all fall dates and prices are set and available on our website.

**Fitness Campaign Proposal**

Heidi and Alice reported that they attended this meeting and stated it would not be a good fit for Freedom Park.

**Skate Park Donation**

The board discussed new equipment vs repairs and will now be investigating new equipment for the park.

**Signs for Disc Golf**

Discussion was had regarding leagues and other tournaments to be hosted at Freedom Park. The board approved \$265 to be used for new signage for the course. Some estimates will be obtained, and an assessment of the course will be done.

**NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting will be held on September 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm at Town Hall

Also, a monthly update will be made to board members regarding park business by Cyndi Hughes

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

John Alessia made a motion to adjourn, Dorothy Eich second the motion. Motion carried with four in favor, and none opposed.

Respectfully submitted:



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Heidi Laub, Chairperson

Attest:



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