

VILLAGE OF PORT EDWARDS

Port Edwards, Wisconsin

COMMITTEE: Parks & Recreation Meeting

DATE: October 28, 2021

TO: JOSEPH ZURFLUH

cc: BETSY MANCL
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WFHR/WGLX
NICK ABTS

Purpose of Meeting: **Regular Monthly Meeting**

Attendance: B. Mancl, J. Zurfluh, S. Mitchell, R. Bossert

Citizens: K. Nagorski

Subjects Discussed, Action Taken, and Board Action Required:

Regular Monthly Meeting

- ***Call to order:*** Meeting called to order by Mancl - Chairman at 5:01 p.m.
- ***Roll Call:*** All present from above.
- ***Approve the previous month's minutes and Agenda:*** **MOTION** (Mancl/Mitchell) to approve minutes from 23 September 2021 and agenda. Motion carried.
- ***Public comments on agenda items:*** None
- ***Committee Chairman's comments:*** None
- ***Parks & Recreation Updates***
 - a. **2022 Budget Discussion.** Bossert said no changes from the Parks budget of \$50k, will be presented to FHR next week. For 2022, Parks will receive 10k and 5k to the cemetery. (Flip flops every year)
 - b. **Discussion on Proposed Capital Improvements plan for parks.** Bossert wants ideas from committee members for Capital Improvements. Ideas presented are gazebo/shelter at the Central Park and Village downtown park. Adding grills and showing movies at Central Park and adding a covered play area/playground in the area. Mitchell would like

to see a design/plan for the empty space at Central Park. Bossert recommends putting in a gas fire pit with a timer to help improve the utilization of the skating area with Mancl suggesting it stay up for the summer. He would also like to see the skating house spruced up and add disposable furniture. Mancl wants to work with the Parent Organization to manage a table inside the skating house.

Bossert mentioned the bike trails need another half mile section done from Verbunker to Letendre. He wants a physical connection from the beginning of the trail, across from the fire station (kiosk) to Edwards Avenue. Would be a \$100-\$150k project with a 5-year plan.

- c. **Discussion on Holiday Events in Port Edwards and Parks.** Adding a Veterans Day event in November at the Memorial may be a last minute addition due to interest from the Legion and VFW. December has the Village Tree lighting on the 1st. Citizen commentary suggests putting up stand alone trees around the Village Tree and having different groups, school/church/Lions, decorate them. Bossert recommends moving the lighting to the 8th of December so there is time for the groups to decorate the trees and can be lit up with the Village Tree on the same day. Will talk to B. Martinson to confirm the date for tree lighting.

- ***Old Business.***

- a. None

- ***New Business.***

- a. Railroad grant of up to 25k for beatification of the trail from Letendre to Seneca. The first draft of the proposal was passed out for comments from committee members so it can be adjusted and ready to submit by December 1st.
- b. Legacy grant for bike trail improvements and assistance with the kayaks. Submission date is the end of November.

- ***Correspondence received.*** None.

- ***Future Agenda items for next meeting:***

- a. Update on railroad grant.

- ***Next meeting date:*** 18 November 2021 at 4 p.m. (Thursday), in person.

- ***Adjourn:*** Adjourned at 5:35p.m. by Mancl.