



Park & Rec Committee
Tuesday, June 21, 2022 - 10:00 AM
MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Marvin Block called the meeting to order at 10:05 am

2. Roll Call

Present - Chip Dutcher, Sharon Hendren, Marvin Block

Absent - None

Staff present - Jack Liggett - Interim City Manager, Sean Staneart - Assistant City Manager, Bailey Morlan - City Planner, Teresa Monroe - Clerk of Council

Public present - Dick Moseley - Licking Park District Board, Craig Bohning - Downtown Johnstown Inc.

3. Other Business

No planned agenda topics; general discussion.

1. Marvin Block; discussion on the potential for acquiring the train depot and/or property and the ability to move the train depot down to the Trailhead, or to leave where it is.

Committee discussion on a long range plan for that area and potential function of the CIC and/or Downtown Johnstown Inc. Marvin Block and Craig Bohning to speak with the train depot property owner to discuss options. Jack Liggett talked about the storm sewers in that area being in poor condition and the need for renovation or replacement. Discussion on flooding with heavy rains and where the storm sewers drain, Jack and Marvin provided some history of the storm water system.

2. Chip Dutcher; updated that the city was successful in receiving State Capital Budget money; \$150,000 for the Splash Pad (\$1.3 million project) and \$250,000 for the Amphitheatre (\$1.2 million project). The money cannot be interchanged or consolidated; Fraizer and the city were hopeful for larger dollar amounts toward both projects. Discussion on applying for more budget funds each year and working on the projects in phases.

Discussion on location of the splash pad, potential for moving to Hannahs Park, Sean Staneart and Bailey Morlan to identify some other areas and parking.

3. Jack Liggett; the mulch in the playground area is not deep enough, it has been a number of years since they have put anything down. Needs one hundred cubic yards of playground certified mulch which will likely cost \$3,500 - \$4,000. Discussion on whether or not this was budgeted.

4. Craig Bohning; Downtown Johnstown Inc. has decided to purchase the wreaths for the light poles along Main Street, they have put fifty percent down and are discussing sponsorships, Mr. Block said he would sponsor/pay for one. There are twelve poles, the wreaths cost \$500 each, total cost \$6,000.

5. Dick Moseley; now that ground is drying out work can begin on the Concord Road parking lot. Also, the dedication of the new bikeway section, that ties Delaware and Knox Counties together, dedication is Saturday, June 25th at 10:00 am at Newell Park

6. Jack Liggett; added that they still get a lot of complaints that the dog gates are still not closing properly. Bailey to reach out to Tony Baldwin/Baldwin Fence.

7. Sean Stanart; reviewed General Park budget funds available after discussion with Finance Director. Committee review of expenses paid out; conclusion is that there is money in the budget for the mulch.

4. Adjourn

No further business. The meeting adjourned at 11:09 am.