

The Ledgeview Park and Recreation Committee held a meeting on **Monday, October 21, 2019 at 7:15 p.m.** at the Municipal Building located at 3700 Dickinson Road, De Pere, WI 54115.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by J. Shanda at 7:16pm.

ROLL CALL:

Members present: Jason Shanda, Nicole Van Helden, and Rod Kowalczyk. Cullen Peltier arrived at 7:17pm. Joe Widi was excused.

Staff present: Sarah Burdette, Administrator, Stephanie Schlag, Park & Recreation Director, and Mark Sauer, Town Planner.

Also in attendance: Tracy and Peter Fluke, WE BIKE, etc. LLC.

APPROVE/AMEND AGENDA:

MOTION by Shanda, seconded by R. Kowalczyk to amend the agenda by moving New Business item #4 ahead of New Business item #1. No further discussion. Motion carried in a voice vote 4-0.

MOTION by N. Van Helden, seconded by R. Kowalczyk to approve the amended agenda. No further discussion. Motion carried in a voice vote, 4-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. September 18, 2019

MOTION by J. Shanda, seconded by R. Kowalczyk to approve the minutes from September 18, 2019. No further discussion. Motion carried in a voice vote, 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Continued discussions related to the donation of parkland property in Eagle Bluff Subdivision. Staff provided update from Eagle Bluff property owners. Group has voted to proceed with park at the northeast corner of Weatherwood Lane and Marble Rock Circle. The next steps will be with the legal teams to proceed with formalities of land transfer.
2. Update on Scray Hill Park gates and security cameras. Staff provided update on gates which are installed, but not energized yet, and security cameras, which are dependent upon progress of baseball fields.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Two Dollar Park Master Plan Update/Modification
Staff provided updated options for location of a misting station. J. Shanda stated one of the most utilized portions is unmarked blacktop and has a concern of taking it away for a misting station. He suggests when the time comes to install a misting station to walk through neighborhood to get opinions of options. Committee would like the Two Dollar Park promotional brochure updated with picture of actual park so the park matches flyer, and it is easier to talk about what the park is and what is still left to be built. Mark will update brochure to add pictures. No formal action taken.

Approved at the November 18, 2019 Park and Recreation meeting.

Approved at the December 17, 2019 Town Board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:1. Activities related to winter programming at golf course

Staff provided summary of anticipated equipment, staffing, and supply needs for Town to provide fat tire trails, classic cross country ski trails, and/or skate ski trails.

Park Committee is receptive to potential donation of a SnowDog for fat tire trails for this first winter, if donating group would also be able to maintain trails. In the committee's opinion, it seems difficult to accommodate skate ski trails for the first year with the required width of trail. Committee does not feel charging fees is necessary at this time but would like to see a donation box for trail equipment and maintenance. The Committee is supportive of cross country ski trails at the golf course in the future.

MOTION by J. Shanda, seconded by N. Van Helden to recommend to the Town Board to purchase necessary equipment to groom a fat tire bike trail, including a donation box and necessary trail marking signage, contingent on donation of a SnowDog by interested user groups. No further discussion. Motion carried in a voice vote 4-0.

2. Concession Stand at Scray Hill Park

Staff provided information regarding the amenities included in the master plan for Scray Hill Park as well as estimates for construction of a concession stand/restroom/outdoor shelter facility and walking trail around south portion of park. Shanda recommended proceeding with a basic concession stand and should another interested party want increased amenities of the facility they would need to provide the financial support to accommodate any such requests.

MOTION by R. Kowalczyk and seconded by J. Shanda to recommend to the Town Board to begin construction of concession stand and south section of walking trail as per the Scray Hill Park master plan. No further discussion. Motion carried in a voice vote 4-0.

3. Request from Beautification Sub Committee regarding future use of parcel D-1729

Staff provided an overview of parcel, including location, size, wetland outlines, and features. Park Committee discussed growth and development of land to the north and west of the parcel. The Beautification Committee is asking if the Town wants to mow a trail around pond to invite people to use plot. Recommendation of the Park Committee to wait to make a decision until Town knows what the future development plans will be on the property to the north of the parcel.

4. Request from Town Board to re-evaluate Roller Coaster Loop Bike Route**Moved to New Business #1**

N. VanHelden asked if recent accident along Dickinson Road was bike related. Staff and Committee clarified details of accident, noting that it was not bicycle related.

C. Peltier stated having designated routes helps validate road improvements, and is in favor of leaving bike loops as they are. Riders who use the routes tend to be intermediate and expert, and typically are more safety conscious riders. The accident was unrelated to bikes, but did draw attention to the road/route. He would like to see the speed limit lowered on that section of road.

J. Shanda stated he feels safer on that road when he is biking because it is signed. He feels it gives motorists something to see on the road.

R. Kowalczyk stated he is glad we have bike routes, but concerned about common sense of drivers. Thinks we should keep signage.

J. Shanda stated to keep the route as part of a bike loop make sense. He feels that as development increases it will increase the feeling that it should be a slower road and help

validate slower roads. He would like staff to include pedestrian and motorist safety in upcoming quarterly Ledgeview newsletter and make the request to include in Ledgeview Living.

Peter Fluke (WE BIKE, etc. LLC), stated there are 2 types of safety: actual vs. perceived safety. The Town does not have a record of bicycle accidents (actual safety) however the road topography and designs makes users feel that it is dangerous (perceived safety). Ledgeview is a desirable place to live for individuals who like to bike and like our topography. Our bike route signage: Brown County approved signage along approved bike routes, this helps with safety recognition. Keeping loops and signage: sends a message that Ledgeview is a place where we want people to walk, bike, and drive safely. Could suggest requesting R4-11 signs ("Bicycles May use Full Lane"), but thinks the speed limit reduction would be the first request to the County. Education is important. The Town should continue work toward education of motorists on sharing the road. "It's safer, its courteous, it's the law."

C. Peltier stated if we take down signs, people are going to use road/route no matter what. So keep up signs b/c having something there is better than having nothing at all.

Staff will provide summary of comments from discussion to C. Peltier to apprise Town Board of Park Commission recommendation.

Upcoming meeting date: To Be Determined

ADJOURN:

MOTION by R. Kowalczyk, seconded by N. Van Helden to adjourn. No further discussion. Motion carried in a voice vote, 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Schlag, Park and Recreation Director
Town of Ledgeview, Brown County, WI