

The Ledgeview Park, Recreation, & Forestry Committee held a meeting on **Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 6:00pm** at the Community Center located at 3700 Dickinson Road, De Pere, WI 54115. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, some members of the committee attended the meeting virtually.

A. CALL TO ORDER.

Meeting called to order by Shanda at 6:09pm.

B. ROLL CALL.

Members present: N. Van Helden (arrival at 6:30pm), C. Peltier, D. Purnell, R. Kowalczyk, J. Shanda

Staff present: Stephanie Schlag, Park & Recreation Director, Mark Sauer, Planner, Mead & Hunt

C. AGENDA APPROVAL.

MOTION by Purnell, seconded by Shanda to approve the agenda. No further discussion. Motion approved 4-0 in a voice vote.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Park and Recreation Committee Minutes from November 11, 2020

MOTION by Purnell, seconded by Peltier to approve the minutes. No further discussion. Motion approved 4-0 in a voice vote.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT:

F. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Beautification Sub-Committee Update

Staff provided an update of the Holiday Decorating contest results. BSC cancelled meeting on 1/18 and rescheduled for 1/25/21.

2. Communication from Resident for Pet Waste Station

Staff informed committee that the Town will be installing one station on Meadow Sound Trail by the Euro Lane entrance as a trial. No garbage can will be provided, just bags. Town staff will replenish as needed.

G. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discussion Regarding Creating a Forestry Ordinance

Review of requested change of section 8. First review of section 9. No recommended changes to section 9. Review section 10 at next meeting. Zoning and Planning committee reviewed the ordinance in January with no recommended changes. Provided there are no further changes to upcoming sections, the final draft can go to the Town Board when the committee is ready to recommend approval.

2. Discussion/Recommendation on Final Draft Agreement with Town of Ledgeview and De Pere Baseball
Staff provided an overview of the memo and progress thus far. Baseball has 2 requests for modification of final agreement:

- 1) Page 3, Item 6, Line 23: Would like the line to read: facilities caused by use of the public vandalism, Acts of God..." (add "use of the public") The desire/intent is to further clarify that vandalism caused by the public is the responsibility of the Town.

Park Committee consensus is this is an amenable request.

- 2) Page 4, Item 8: Would like any requirement to pay for water usage removed. They currently do not pay for water at any other municipality and feel that it is an excessive charge/request.

Discussion followed.

Staff pointed out that this item is in the current agreement with DPB for Ledgeview Park from 2014, but is not in the signed preliminary agreement for Scray Hill Park.

Kowalczyk recommends removing item as DPB is requesting. Look at what they have brought into the community. Town put in the irrigation system for the soccer fields at Scray Hill Park and De Pere Rapides

Approved at the February 15, 2021 Park, Recreation, and Forestry Committee meeting.

Approved at the March 1, 2021 Town Board meeting.

(soccer) doesn't pay for irrigation. DPB put in the irrigation system at the park and now we are requesting them to pay. Doesn't make sense or seem fair.

Purnell agrees that DPB shouldn't pay for water. Feels that if the Town pays for water it maintains the perception of it being a public park. It's the responsibility of the town to take care of the public facility. Shanda agrees with Kowalczyk and because of precedence set w/Rapides.

Stated that Town will pay for a schedule set by the town and anything above normal schedule, must be requested by baseball and paid for by baseball. Asked if the Town could charge DPB for usage above a certain limit, since it is a relatively long agreement.

Arrival of Nicole at 6:30pm.

Peltier: likes the idea of a limit, but doesn't know how it might be done.

Staff confirmed there is not a separate meter for water for the baseball fields. All water is currently on the same meter.

Committee is in consensus that this item does not need to be added to the final agreement.

Motion by Shanda, seconded by Van Helden to recommend board approve final agreement with De Pere Baseball with changes as requested by De Pere Baseball. No further discussion. Motion approved unanimously in a voice vote.

H. NEW BUSINESS:

1. 2020 Work Plan Evaluation and Discussion of 2021 Work Plan

Overview provided by M. Sauer of 2020 work plan as well as of task list as outlined in the CORP.

The following items were mentioned from committee members as preferred high priority items:

Kowalczyk: likes the idea of working toward something at the landfill, trails of some sort (bike, walking/hiking)

Van Helden: connection pieces—ER trail, or other area/neighborhood. Should start planning so we can budget for future construction. Add signage and don't forget to add new parcels to demarcation plan. Would like ZPC to focus on space of storm water retention ponds to allow a walking path around them. Sauer mentioned that stormwater facilities do not count toward park land dedication for the developers and warned that trails around certain stormwater ponds would then require fencing depending upon pond design/size/slope.

Peltier: feels that the committee is making great progress and agrees with other committee members

Purnell: likes focusing on trinity ridge area off Scray Hill Road

Shanda: asked mark to do a layout of maps of Ledgeview to add trails to it to see where connectivity is missing at a future meeting, Connect Hidden Woods to Dallas Lane (desktop mapping exercise to look at connections). Committee needs to not lose sight of the importance of connectivity throughout Ledgeview.

Work toward progress at the landfill. Bike community is very interested.

Town should look at aggressively pursuing a large parcel of land on the east end of town for recreational opportunities.

Committee asked staff to move 2020 "In Progress" items to 2021 work plan and work toward those being complete in 2021. Staff will review and bring back a 2021 work plan for the committee to review and take action.

2. Recommendation on Fire Station 2 Reservation Policy

Shanda provided an overview of the memo. Staff is asking for an approved policy for guidelines on future requests, should they occur.

Motion by Shanda, seconded by Purnell to approve the Fire Station 2 Reservation Policy. No further discussion. Motion approved unanimously in a voice vote.

3. Discussion on future park to be located at Eagle Bluff Condo Association

Sauer provided an overview of the updated park design per the discussion at the meeting with the Eagle Bluff Condo Association (EBCA) representatives at the 1/12/21 meeting. There is a desire from the EBCA to have pickleball/blacktop area similar to Two Dollar. Committee is in support.

EBCA reps would like Park Committee to choose a name and allow EBCA to provide input.

Creek in close proximity to the park currently does not have a name. There may be an opportunity to name the creek as well.

- Copper Creek Park, good name, however concerns that the creek actually doesn't run through the parcel and would invite exploration of the non-park property

- Copper Rock Park

Other ideas provided by staff for brainstorming purposes:

- Weather Rock Park
- Marble Wood Rock (not preferred by EBCA reps)
- Weather Wood Park
- Marble Park
- Copper Bluff Park
- Marble Bluff Park
- Weather Bluff Park
- Ledgestack Park
- Tributary Park
- Eagle Nest Park
- Secret Creek Park (would this also invite exploration?)
- Trails End Park (if this is the intent of a future trail hub)
- Eagle Wind Park (neighboring subdivision names are Country Winds and Harvest Winds)
- XYZ (insert name) Park at Eagle Bluff Condominiums (as a formal name)

Staff asked park committee to refer to the park naming guidelines in the Community Sponsorship Guide and forward any ideas to Steph for the next meeting.

I. STAFF REPORT:

1. Winter Trails at Ledgeview Golf Course

Lots of trail use before snow melted. Community interest in renting bikes—contact golf course pro to let him know to reach out for possibility of partnership or revenue opportunity.

2. Conditional Use Permit Request/Public Hearing for the Town of Glenmore for the Future Van Straten Park

Public hearing to be held in Glenmore on Thursday 1/21. Town board action after that.

3. ATC Grant Article in Press Times

Pheasants Forever has reached out to be a part of the pollinator grant project.

J. ADJOURNMENT.

MOTION by Van Helden, seconded by Kowalczyk to adjourn the meeting. No further discussion. Motion approved unanimously in a voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Review of 2021 work plan

Approval of Master Plan for future park at EBCA, recommendation of park name.

Next Regular Meeting: February 16, 2021 6:00pm