

Recreation Commission
City of Lambertville
Meeting Minutes- June 17th 2020

- Call to Order and Statement of Compliance with Open Public Meetings Act -Megan
- Roll Call : present Megan, Mary Anne, Katie, Cat, Zach, Jim T,
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval Of Minutes from March 11th accepted {Motioned by Mary Anne, Zack 2nd, all in favor}
- Old business

Mary Sheridan Park

1. review of plan from Indigenous Ingenuities
 - a. Zoning Questions about moving entrances
 - b. Need to touch base with Lester re: (?)
 - c. Feedback from community stakeholders
 - d. Prioritize components (perhaps individual est cost) and realize plan that meets prioritization
 - e. Mary Anne to follow up

Rec summer program

1. State released covid-19 pandemic summer camp safety guidelines
 - a. It's in the city's best interest not to run summer program. The safety protocol is too financially demanding to make programming viable.
 - b. In process of developing new programming for summer programs (new business: dev programing for the city)
 - c. concern voiced about loss of meal programming for at need population throughout our community. Noted that there is a response to this need being provided by other resources and organizations in the city and surrounding community.
- New Business

Black Lives Matter Reflection Memorial

1. Katie O'Neil & residents want to install Black Lives Matter reflection memorial in the gazebo at Mary Sheridan Park.
 - a. Request park use
 - b. Phase one installation for one month installed on Juneteenth (6.19.2020)
 - c. Phase two undetermined
 - d. To raise awareness and provide space for residents to reflect on state sanctioned violence against Black Lives. {Cat motions to approve art installation honoring black lives matter, Mary Anne 2nd, all in favor}

Ely Park hill bridge repair project

1. Use of park increase due to covid-19 pandemic
2. Avid Trails \$2600 proposal to build bridge
 - a. Construction permits / architectural designs
 - b. Steep slope ordinance
 - c. \$3575 total
 - d. Capital expense- not our operating budget
 - e. Approve and recommend to city council requesting use of capital funds
 - f. Discussion around safety of hill and whether we decide to invest in infrastructure before other mitigating circumstances. {Mary Anne motion to approve, Zach 2nd, all in favor}

Interpretative Signage

1. Maryanne to work on formal long term signage

General park maintenance.

1. Scott connors: direct liaison with Lester going forward maintenance for the city what day is mowing happening etc
 - a. Concise direct communication with Lester about maintenance of parks dpw liaison engagement
2. Garden maintenance bid
 - a. \$960 a month | may-aug \$5000
 - b. Volunteer versus maintenance contract
 - c. Goal to plant garden for less maintenance
 - d. Equipment maintenance
 - e. Door replacement @ cavallo
 - f. bouncy/seesaw replacement @ cavallo
3. Ely park drainage basin:
 - a. Grate replaced
 - b. Maintained by the state all the way to river
 - c. We are responsible for one time clean up investment, extend fencing split rail, then quarterly maintenance should keep it clean and help to mitigate field flooding

Committee formation

1. social media and communications
 - a. Katie Deutsch
 - b. survey potential
2. Volunteerism

- a. Jim Troutman
- 3. program development
 - a. Cat Walker
 - b. monthly programming options for rec
 - c. special events (yearly fundraiser) Cat and Megan
- 4. Report monthly
 - a. what is happening and next steps
 - b. Sunday before rec meeting agenda items to Megan

South Main Street Parklet

- 1. City owned property
- 2. Sight lines dot
- 3. Cindy Ege first point of contact
- 4. Neighborhood buy in

Cavallo park

- 1. Native bed borders spray painted Cat and Mary Anne
- 2. Caution tape for play structure

Temporary ice skating rink

Big day out committee ryan spreen

Park use request

- 1. covid amendment Public health
- 2. Lambertville goes wild plant sale {Megan motion to approve, Zach 2nd, all in favor}
- 3. Ramblers football {Megan motion to approve, Zach 2nd, all in favor}
- 4. Temporary installation of picnic bench for take out eating at Cherry Street Park
 - a. Temporary use while inside dining restricted due to covid-19 pandemic
 - b. Placement south end of park along sidewalk
 - c. Maximum not to exceed 8 tables
 - d. Closed at sundown {motion to approve by Megan, cat 2nd, all in favor}

[all park use must follow covid-19 pandemic safety guidelines]

{Megan motioned to approve Cat as new secretary, Mary Anne 2nd, all in favor}

{Mary Anne motioned to adjourn the meeting, Zach 2nd, all in favor} 10:02pm