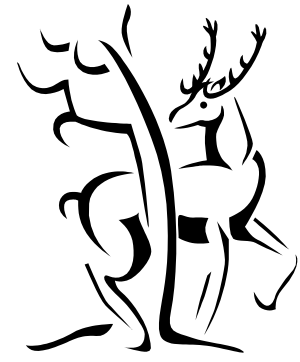


Park & Recreation Commission

Monday April 4, 2022
6:00 p.m.
Evansdale City Council Chambers



1. Call to order: 6:00 pm, Rick is absent.
2. Approval of the April 4, 2022 agenda: Motion by Ron, 2nd by Joe. Motion carried.
3. Approval of the March 7, 2022 meeting minutes: Motion by Joe, 2nd by Ron. Motion carried.
4. Approval of Bills and Authorization to pay: Motion by Dave, 2nd by Joe. Motion carried.
5. Reports
 - a. Treasures Report: Provided in packet.
 - b. Park Maintenance: Chris power-washed shelters except Deerwood, cleanup going on in parks. The beach house pump was temp'd Thursday waiting for permanent. Bridge waterproofing at Angels: no bid yet, looking for an eco-safe sealer. Will price to do ourselves.
 - c. Campground Maintenance: Speedbump is in shop, hoping to install before opening day. Roger reports tables are out and water will be on Wednesday. Road needs marked for speedbump, and electrical is on. Tower and 800A service should be done by the 14th.
 - d. Dog Park: No one here to discuss.
 - e. Disc golf: Chris reports a lot of trees are marked and a lot of cleanup is needed. Tom states some areas may need to be blocked or new trails made while course maintenance is occurring. Some area will need seeded. Chris will get a hydroseed estimate.
6. Discussion/action: Request to purchase boulders or post to secure the bridge in Bunger Park from motorized vehicles: Chris couldn't find a price for posts. Boulders were suggested as an attractive alternative. Tom motion to spend up to \$400 to purchase boulders, Ron 2nd the motion, motion carried.
7. Discussion/action: Request for memorial benches in Angels Park (not island). Discussion will be on standards/material used for benches. Materials were discussed for the benches with aluminum being decided as the preferred standard, with a plaque made of plastic or aluminum to prevent rusting. Ron motions to make the aforementioned materials as standard, Joe 2nd the motion, motion carries. Ron./ Tom noted that Triangle, Gardner, and the Playground area will also need benches.
8. Request from Angels Park Memorial committee to use the Park and Island for Child Safety Day on October 22. Request is to waive all fees. Ron motions, Joe 2nd the motion, motion carries.

9. Discussion/action: Opening day for campground. Seasonal vs regular campers. Campground will open 9 am, April 15th to all campers. Those that were removed the previous season will not be allowed back this season.
10. Request to replace vandalized bench panel in the amount of \$1,404 from Boland Recreation for Angels Park playground. Ron motions to spend \$1404 to replace the bench panel, Joe 2nd the motion, motion carries.
11. Prioritizing 5-year Park plan: Lower playground replacement estimated to cost about \$100K making it cost prohibitive. Possible solution is to replace it with a miniature golf course estimated at \$25K. Equipment could be rented out for the day.

Rick (via Tom): The splash pad is cost prohibitive. Tom mentions that benches are a priority and maybe we should push the Christmas lights at Deerwood to 2023.

New park signs made of concrete, at Deerwood and Gardner Park estimated at \$2500 each. Chris mentioned that winter was not kind to the Meyers lake boat ramp and immediate repairs are needed.

Priorities on five year list are benches, park signs, and playground replacement.

12. Discussion: A resident brought up that some kind of camera solution should be considered at Angels park due to recent vandalism. Tom supportive if prices were lower and record time was longer. Maybe adding to five year plan is an option. Bid were previously solicited in 2019.

Justin Smock mentioned that the River Rd. Boat launch project is up for vote at the next council meeting at looks to be shelved due to rising costs.

Tom: Additional boat ramp parking at Deerwood park is needed, maybe south of existing parking. Concerns that leaving the park gates left open year round for fishermen due to possible vandalism were brought up.

There are wifi issues at the campground. Evansdale may be getting new 5G cellular service and discussions on how to get it into the campground are under discussion.

Joe suggested doing a fireworks display with a DJ possibly coordinating with the mud volleyball date, or Christmas in July at the campground (July 22-24.)

Floors in the bathrooms at Deerwood and one shower needs to be painted. Will look at buying a few gallons of paint to get by for now.

Seasonal employee (Rick) to start Monday, 11 April.

Tree removal at Deerwood by Chris to occur this Wednesday @ 9:15am, volunteers requested from the board if possible.

13. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Joe at 7:31pm, seconded by Ron, motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,

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