

Pendleton Park Board Meeting Minutes

March 22, 2023

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Park Board President Bryan Williams. Additional board members present: Brian Slick, Laretta Gray, Lindsey Madinger, Steve Wills. Also present, Park Director Aaron Burris, Maintenance Director Donnie Meyer, Park Attorney Bill Davisson, Park Secretary Bobbi Cline, Laura Meyer, Joe Noel and Marissa Skaggs.
- II. Approval of Minutes
Motion to approve February 22, 2023 meeting minutes made by Lindsey Madinger, 2nd by Brian Slick. February meeting minutes were approved.
- III. Sahm's Smokehouse Update – Aaron Burris
 - a. Aaron met with Sahm's management and agreed to budget meals for outings.
 - b. Yard signs are going up stating that Sahm's and the golf course will be open during road construction. Construction should last about 6 weeks.
- IV. Friends of Falls Park – Joe Noel
 - a. Work day is set for Saturday, April 15. Cleanup area will be the community building landscape and patio area between community building and museum.
 - i. Volunteers can contact Joe Noel for more information.
 - b. Butterfly garden - Friends of Falls Park are working with Pendleton Garden Club to plan and maintain the butterfly garden at the North Entrance of the park.
- V. Sports Complex – Aaron Burris
 - a. Golf cart path has been presented. Next steps, signage and handout for the police department.
 - i. Parking for golf carts will be grass for now.
 - ii. PJB will be responsible for enforcing golf cart rules. In cases of drivers refusing to follow rules, enforcers are able to call the police.
 - b. Bids have been received for skinning fields. The consensus is \$14k per field. The fields to be skinned have been chosen; the decision remaining to be made is whether to do all, multiple or a single one this season due to price. If not all, which ones must be decided. Aaron Burris suggests that we only skin one field for the current year and budget for the others to be completed in 2024.
 - c. Motion made to allow \$14.5k to skin and laser grade a field at the sports complex to allow for more play; motion Laretta Gray, 2nd Brian Slick. Agreed by all; motion passed.
- VI. Golf Course – Aaron Burris
 - a. Weather has been off to a rough start but when the weather is good so is the play. Numbers are already very encouraging for the year.
 - b. New tractor is to be delivered Friday.
 - c. Some tees will be enlarged for better play.
 - d. Lindsey Madinger: Can we open the golf course earlier? Aaron Burris: Opening before March 1st is a risk to the grass and their roots due to the freeze line. Not worth the risk and resulting costs.

- e. The Golf Club logo has been redesigned to make it cleaner, slicker and more in keeping with the goals and vision of the golf club.

VII. New Business

- a. Public Comment Policy
 - i. Coco Bill has requested that any decisions/voting be held off until the following month.
 - ii. Laretta Gray suggests that the wording should be clean, to the point and in keeping with the town policy. She also suggests that a clock should be provided.

VIII. Old Business

- a. Pickleball Court - Potential sites were discussed; current public garden location, basketball courts near circle. More space may be needed in the future depending on the growth of the sport. Pricing will be presented at the April meeting.

IX. Maintenance – Aaron Burris for Donnie Meyer

- a. Additional parking has been added near the creek where people tend to park anyway. This way the mud will no longer be an issue.
- b. Tree removal continues throughout the park. Limb and branch pickup is in full swing in preparation of mowing season.
- c. Graffiti and vandalism are ongoing problems. Solutions such as time locks are being explored to keep incidents to a minimum.
- d. Maintenance crew will be working on stump grinding throughout the park with over 50 stumps needing attention.
- e. North Entrance has been cleaned up and a trail has been added through the woods near the park office.

X. Director's Report – Aaron Burris, Park Director

- a. The playground equipment has been delivered. The installers will be in the park mid-April, weather permitting. The swinging bench frames were not previously ordered so will be delayed. This will not set back the opening which is set for mid/late May. Bricks with names from the previous playground area will be set around the library tree.
- b. Drainage continues to be an issue on the trails. Maintenance will be tackling the worst areas this coming season.
- c. The Community Bike Share program will be delivered next week and will be installed at the front of the park.
- d. Park entrance is still waiting for materials.

XI. Approval of Claims from February 2023

The Register of Claims for February 2023 were circulated.

Motion to accept Register of Claims for February 2023 made by Brian Slick, 2nd by Lindsey Madinger, approved by all. Members present signed the February 2023 Register of Claims.

7:06 pm Meeting adjourned by President Bryan Williams.