

Pendleton Park Board Meeting Minutes

May 25, 2023

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Park Board President Bryan Williams. Additional board members present: Ana Blake, Brian Slick, Laretta Gray, Lindsey Madinger and Coco Bill. Also present, Park Director Aaron Burris, Park Secretary Bobbi Cline, Amy Turner and Christi Kelly.
- II. Approval of Minutes
Motion to approve April 26, 2023 meeting minutes made by Lindsey Madinger, 2nd by Brian Slick. April meeting minutes were approved.
- III. Sahn's Smokehouse Update – Report submitted by Ed Sahn
 - a. Lindsey Madinger asks if we can get a full financial report from Sahn's in the near future. Aaron answers, yes.
 - b. Live music is bringing in crowds and helping the bottom line.
- IV. Friends of Falls Park – None
 - a. June workday to be scheduled. Project to be determined.
 - b. The Farmers Market is going really good.
- V. Sports Complex – Report submitted by Todd Miller
 - a. PJB, Rugby, Baseball and Softball seasons are all in full swing at the Sports Complex.
 - b. Concession stand will need a new AC system; Gustin will provide a quote.
 - c. Diamond four project is complete; two scoreboards were reported as repaired but as noted by a board member, one still seems to be broken. Bleachers were repaired and 3 dugouts still need repair work.
 - d. Golf cart map submitted with report.
- VI. New Business
 - a. Resolution 23-01
 - i. Resolution submitted for approval: requests town lower the speed limit along East St between Water St and Falls Park Dr from 30 mph to 20 mph. Ana Blake moved to accept resolution; Laretta Gray offered 2nd. Approved by all.
 - b. Falls Park Drive One-Way Discussion
 - i. The Town of Pendleton would like the Park Board's thoughts on turning Falls Park Dr into a one-way from park entrance to East St. Park board agrees that it is a good idea, especially the added bike path. Could take a year or more to make happen. Ana Blake would like to know EMS's thoughts and opinions on making the stretch a one-way. A discussion should be scheduled.
 - c. Board Sub-Committees
 - i. Discussion will continue; Aaron will revise his suggestions based on park needs.
- VII. Old Business
 - a. Bicentennial Mural - Amy Turner and Christi Kelly presented four options for the Madison County Bicentennial project. The board voted and agreed, 3 to 2, to accept style #3 provided the color scheme can be reworked. The project will include a frame that will allow for use with other future projects as well as cost-effective replacement in cases of damage.

- b. Playground - Playpros and Fredericks are doing a great job. Despite equipment being reordered due to wrong colors, things are moving forward quickly; estimated time to completion, 5-6 weeks.
- c. Pickleball Court - Aaron Burris
 - i. Aaron is still waiting to hear back from contact.

VIII. Maintenance – Donnie Meyer, Director of Maintenance

- a. Report submitted:
 - i. Spring landscaping has begun; flower planting, trimming, irrigation for sprinklers was installed in the playground and corner area, etc.
 - ii. Maintenance issues this month have included drainage problems at circle bathrooms, leak at the pool (leak was valve that was not closing correctly, problem has been solved).

IX. Director’s Report – Aaron Burris, Park Director

- a. Report submitted:
 - i. Projects: Limestone signs are set to be moved; discussions with DNR regarding grants are in progress; event season is here with June Jamboree coming up in June as well as car shows, festivals, etc.
 - ii. Golf Course: Weather has been good resulting in strong numbers; carts are in need of replacing, it may be difficult to get mid-season lease but Aaron will look into it; mower is still down but is being worked on; leagues (ladies, mens, couples) are in full swing; outing season is here with 3 outings are already planned for June; we are still waiting on sand; new logo is a big hit, people really like the clean lines and colors.

X. Memorial Tree Program

- a. New application was circulated; Memorial Program will be added to the June agenda.
 - i. The Memorial Tree Program will be added to the May agenda for further discussion.

XI. Property Acquisition

- a. Purchase agreement for property on 67 has been signed and closing will hopefully take place in June.

XII. Pool

- a. Pool opens May 27. Staff positions are full. In regards to future aquatic plans, town will be working on financial analysis.

XIII. Approval of Claims from April 2023

The Register of Claims for April 2023 were circulated.

Motion to accept Register of Claims for April 2023 made by Ana Blake, 2nd by Brian Slick, approved by all. Members present signed the April 2023 Register of Claims.

7:32 pm Meeting adjourned by President Bryan Williams.