

**TOWN OF GENESEE
PARK BOARD MEETING
APRIL 16, 2019**

Park Board member Dennis Michaelis called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Present were Park Board members Jim Gibson, Hettwer, Werner, Meier and Gresser. Absent were Chairman Hill and Town Board Supervisor Morris. Also present were DPW Superintendent Will Gibson and Secretary Whitmore.

Discussion/Action- Minutes of March 19, 2019 meeting

Hettwer made motion to approve the minutes of 3-19-19, Werner seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Review of Park Bills

Discussion and review of the bills.

Sunset Park Review

Discussion/action – Sunset Park

Work to be done in 2019

Will Gibson went over a report from Ron Hill for work needing to be done. Two of the ball diamonds need fill and work on the dirt, some repair on the soccer fields. Grass in the tree rings throughout the park need to be killed; wood chips raked by the swings.

Gibson is working on the electric gates and bathroom locks for the park, we are waiting on bids.

Update on damage/repair to soccer field

Discussion on the damage done to the soccer field and repairs that will be needed. The field will need additional soil, seed and rolling. The field will not be available for spring soccer.

New trees – kinds and locations

Hill suggested four 2” Accolade Elms at \$448 each, total of \$1,792 planted in the playground area.

Rock covers – order for spring installation

Will Gibson reported the rocks have not been ordered, he does not have a price yet. One of the rocks we have, has a crack where it is bolted down, discussion.

Update on sign installation – location map

Will Gibson said this will be discussed in May.

It didn't cost the town any extra to open the parks this spring, there were no frozen pipes.

Town Park Review

Discussion/action – Town Park

Work to be done in 2019

Will Gibson stated the new garbage cans have been put out.

Hill's report stated the ball diamonds will be \$6,550.00 plus bricks and ball mix the mix and bricks cost is \$8,000.00. Will Gibson had a proposal from Majors with a breakdown for the crowing, fixing the mounds with bricks and clay and cutting the sod, after discussion the Board agreed to send the proposals on to the Town Board for approval of a contract for the work.

Hill reported per Matt of the Rebels, they will help with the painting of the buildings.

Discussion of maintenance of warning track

Will Gibson reported True Green is contracted to do the weed spraying this year, he would like it done professionally as we don't have a license to do that kind of work, discussion. The Board would like to get a price to do all three (3) ball diamonds. He will have the stone put down at a later date Gibson wants to check the money budgeted.

Removal of dead trees/planting new trees

Discussion of the trees to be planted, the 13 dead trees and stumps have been removed for a cost of \$6,300. Will Gibson wants to hold off on ordering trees to be sure we have enough money in the budget. Hill recommends purchasing 2 Hackberry, 2 Autumn Fantasy Maple and 2 Accolade Elm for \$2,728.00.

Sand box, diggers and path to playground area – discussion of proposals

Hill had a cost of \$3,800 for the sidewalk, Will Gibson said Majors would do the path. The cost for the plastic timber and diggers is being worked on.

Update on sign installation – location map

The signage will be discussed in May.

Nature Center

Discussion/action – Nature Center

Cut and clear path area's – discussion of proposals for costs

They are in the process of getting quotes for clear cutting the area. It was brought up that the benches will have to be replaced soon and woodchips are needed for the paths. Discussion of how to get the chips along the path was discussed.

Update on sign installation

It was agreed the old sign for the Nature Center could be gotten rid of. Discussion of direction signs for the paths.

Update on Recreation Department-Dennis Michaelis

Michaelis stated the baseball was going well, he felt we would have a Brooks team this year. We should have 2 to 3 instructional t-ball teams, we may end up with a league for them with North Prairie, Eagle and Palmyra. Soccer will begin on April 27th. The garbage/recycling bins are up at the parks, they are a nice addition to the parks. Will Gibson said the new benches are put together and out.

Correspondence

Jim Gibson was approached by Lindsey Sayles from the Lions Club asking if they could put up signage of retired numbers and Hall of Fames members of the Genesee hardball teams with the Genesee Rebels, discussion. This will be on next month's agenda, several members said they would like to see what they would look like before giving approval.

Michaelis asking if the town could put information on the web site showing the park locations and fields and possibly putting the directions to the parks. Also listing to call the town sports line, 262-968-9510 to find out if games are cancelled. Telling people to listen to the entire message for the date and parks, discussion. It was also suggested the web page list there are No Dogs allowed in the parks and to NOT park on the grass.

Meier made motion to adjourn, Gresser seconded, motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Whitmore, WCMC

Park Board Secretary