

Town of Lodi

Park Commission Minutes

September 19, 2018

1. Call to Order/Roll Call – notice of the meeting was posted. Present: Jim Bechen, Peg Ford, Neil Heskin, Corey Detert. Excused: Nancy Mitchell
2. Citizen Input – Scott Ness was present to answer any questions or concerns regarding the mowing of the parks; no concerns.
3. Park Account Balances – there were some questions and Jim Bechen will work with Jay on the accounting and report back to the Commission.
4. Red Cedar Back Forty property – After discussion, it was recommended to the Town Board not to develop this property into a park; Motion C. Detert, N. Heskin second; motion carried 4/0.
5. Town out lot off Deer Run Road – after discussion, it was recommended to the Town Board not to develop this property into a park; Motion C. Detert, P. Ford second; motion carried 4/0.
6. Optimist Club Ball Diamond Expense Sharing – involvement of the Optimist Club in maintaining Lewis Byrnes Ball Diamond was discussed. Jim Bechen will get cost details together and then submit request for funds; will bring back to October meeting.
7. Unfinished Projects – Conservancy Park Gazebo Roof – Stranders will be doing this work; update at next meeting.
8. Planning for 2019 Equipment Upgrades – Lewis Byrnes park was not completed this year due to lack of funds; need additional equipment at Michaels. Jim Bechen asked Commission members to view equipment catalogs and send recommendations to him and/or Nancy Mitchell. Corey Detert suggested making a contribution to the new Heritage Park in Lodi, either from the Town or the Park Commission. No motion was made. It seemed that any contribution should come from the Town, not the Park Commission.
9. Replacement for Rick Waugh – Jim Bechen reported that Rick Waugh has resigned his duties at the Town. Town Board will be discussing a possible full time person to share transfer site and parks; update at next meeting.
10. Approve Minutes of July 18, 2018 meeting – Motion C. Detert to approve minutes; N. Heskin second; motion carried 4/0.
11. Unfinished Business or park updates – Jim Bechen reviewed the completed items from 2018.
12. Future Agenda Items – Optimist Club application for funding; equipment purchases in 2019.
13. Next Meeting Date – Wednesday, October 17, 2018, 6:00 pm; Town Office
14. Adjourn – Motion N. Heskin/C. Detert second to adjourn at 7:40 pm; motion carried 4/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Peg Ford, Secretary