North Brookfield Parks & Recreation Committee

Minutes of 09/21/2023

Present: Brandon Avery, Tara Hayes, Jamie Gilman, Mike Hinkley

Absent: Mike Hinkley

Guests: Andrew Weiwel

Meeting called to order at 6:00

Approval of minutes of 9/7/2023; Tara made a motion, Brandon seconded, and the minutes were accepted.

Financials

Reviewed and signed bills for National Grid for \$33.99.

Old Business

Made some changes to the P&R Survey. There is room for another question. See Attachment 1.

Town Forest Park

Discussed the pads for under the tables, the bridge rebuild, cleaning up the trails and the parking lot border. Andrew said that he is working on the rail trail bridge in Gilbertville and he can look into donating some timbers for the border; he will need measurements which Jamie can get for him.

The mower deck is a wreck; is this something that can be repaired or do we need to look at replacing? Make/Model to shop around.

Town Beach

Jason Petraitis is working on a letter to the EB BOS regarding the Town Beach. Still waiting

The Common

The swings need some work; quick links can fix. Also want to paint the uprights.

The fence around the basketball courts need some work with those hooky things.

Is there a drainage plan for under the Common? Sewer or highway?

Brian can work with Brandon on cutting the asphalt at the old basketball court.

The mower will need servicing this winter; the spring tension may need replacement.

General

The Cultural Council is accepting grants until October 17th

We really need to get a Facebook page for P&R. Informational only, no comments.

Andrew made good suggestions about finding younger people to get involved to grow the respect for the property.

Our next meeting will be October 5th at 6:00pm.

Tara made a motion, Brandon seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.