

JERICO UNDERHILL PARK DISTRICT

MINUTES

9/2/2020

Board Members Present: Bruce Blokland, Tom Cota, Dan Lerner, Jim Massingham, Donna Pratt, Livy Strong,
Dave Williamson

Guests: Bill Eschholz, Dan Lee

1. Livy called the meeting to order at 7:00.
2. Dan Lerner has been appointed to the JUPD Board by the Jericho Select Board.
3. MMU coach, Bill Eschholz previewed the cross country COVID precautions and plans for a cross country event at MRP. He would like to schedule a meet on Oct. 9. There will probably less than 45 runners.

Spectators will be limited to immediate family only. Buses will park at BRMS. Masks will be required for spectators. There is a possibility of additional races on Oct 16 or 23.

4. Public comment: No public comment

5. Review of minutes: Livy moved to approve the August 19 minutes. Tom seconded. All voted in favor. Motion approved.

6. Financial Report: We reviewed the report of the Treasurer.

Union Bank checking	\$4,191.00
Union Bank Muni checking	\$16,402.04
NEFCU Power saving	<u>\$91,914.92</u>
Total checking/savings	\$112,507.96

The Union Bank checking account includes the following :

Contingency	\$30,000
Bridge repair	\$61,914.92
Trails	0
Ponds	0

Jim moved to approve the Treasures report. Dave seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

7. Park Management

- a. Trail update – Tom has proposed a number of trail repairs. Funds were approved at the last meeting. He will have materials delivered and rent equipment. Tom will post to Front Porch Forum to try to get help and will organize community volunteers. He is planning for Oct 10.
- b. People count – For the month of August there were 9,925 visitors which equals 320 per day.
- c. Horse manure – Livy received a complaint from a park user about horse manure. Livy contacted the local horse barn. They encourage their members to clean up after their horses. There does not appear to be a good solution to this problem.
- d. Paper graffiti – Small paper signs are still being found stapled to trees.
- e. Job list – Donna reviewed the completed projects. We are making good progress on this list.
- f. Snow plow bid – Bid specs are out.
- g. Beavers – The beavers are still busy in the Browns River near the fishing pond drainage pipe.
- h. Covered bridge – Livy briefly described our bridge repair plans. Dan Lee is a member of an organization called the Timber Framers Guild. They do projects that encourage and support people learning to build timber frame buildings. He thought they might be interested in helping us with the project.
 - (1) Donna proposed the we form a small subcommittee to organize the bridge repair project.
Donna moved to form a board committee to manage the bridge project, including developing

the RFP. Dan seconded. The motion was approved unanimously. Jim, Donna and Bruce volunteered for the new subcommittee.

(2) Jim reported that he applied for a \$60,000 grant from the Gannett Corp. to partially fund bridge repair.

8. Events

a. Soccer practice – Resumes Labor Day.

b. Dave received a request from BRMS softball coaches for a corn hole tournament in September which he will approve.

9. Publicity

a. Tom and Dan have updated the website

10. Other business

a. Charrons have been working with the town on their project. They have submitted new specs.

b. Donna has started preparation for the budget. We will begin budget work at our next meeting.

c. The next board meeting will be by Zoom. Dan will host.

11. Jim moved to adjourn. Dan seconded. Motion approved by all. Meeting was adjourned at 8:40.