

Jericho Underhill Park District  
MINUTES  
11/3/21

Board members present: Bruce Blokland, Jim Massingham, Donna Pratt, Livy Strong & Dave Williamson

Board members absent:

Guests:

1. Livy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Public comment: No public
3. Review of minutes
  - A. Dave moved to approve the minutes from 10/6/21 and 10/20/21. Donna seconded. Motion approved unanimously

4. Donna gave the Treasurer's report

Union Bank Checking (JUPD2020)	closed out to checking
Union Bank Municipal checking	\$22,728
NEFCU Power saving	\$113,733

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Unrestricted	\$30,000
Capital projects	\$0
Bridge	\$83,733
Trails	\$0
Ponds	\$0
JUPD2020	\$0

A. Bruce moved to approve. Dave seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

5. Park management

- A. Bruce gave an update on the Covered Bridge renovation project
  - (1) Bridge superstructure will be removed soon.
  - (2) B&C will build new handrails before anything is removed. When handrails are installed.
  - (3) No news from EV
  - (4) There are quite a few plaques and signs that have to be removed before the superstructure comes down. Bruce, Dave and Jim will do this work on Sat morning at 9:00

- B. Brush hogging will be done this week or next
  - C. 2 Port-o-lets will be removed ASAP. The remaining port-o-let will be removed by the first week of Dec. Livy will call P&P
  - D. Jobs list: Nothing seems urgent
  - E. People count for October is 21,500. 346 per day.
  - F. Report on the beaver damage
    - (1) Bruce has contacted Ginko Tree Service about cutting down several cottonwood trees near the Browns River. The trees have been girdled by the beaver and will not live. .
    - (2) Ginko Tree Service will come out and evaluate taking down these large trees at the river
  - G. Camden Yandow has requested permission to do an Eagle Scout project at the park. He wants to build a bench overlook. Donna suggested building an information kiosk near the entrance. This is a greater need than a bench. Livy will discuss the idea with him
  - H. Kirk Peterson contacted Livy again regarding art sculptures in the park. We responded that the JUPD does not wish to become the fiscal agent for any outside groups, as his group suggested
6. ERSA Grant proposals for trail work are due Nov. 29. We will be submitting an application asking for \$62,000. Donna, Bruce and Livy are working with Sherry Winnie on the project.
7. Publicity
- A. JUPD website is an issue now that Dan has stepped down and no longer maintains it
    - (1) A board member needs to take on this responsibility
    - (2) Dave volunteered to post a new request on Front Porch Forum. He will emphasize the need for help with social media and grant writing
8. Other business s
- A. We still have 2 board vacancies
  - B. Charron property (pasture by VT RT. 15) will be discussed at the DRB on Nov. 10 (7:00 p.m.). If it is approved, the Jericho Land Trust will have three months to raise \$200,000 to purchase the meadow
  - C. Budget meetings with select boards. Underhill wants a discussion of our budget at a future meeting. Livy and Donna are planning to attend when scheduled
  - D. Public hearing for the proposed budget has been scheduled for Dec. 1 regular meeting. Livy will warn it
9. Jim moved to adjourn. Livy seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:13.