

JUPD Minutes

July 15, 2021

7:00, Pavilion

Board Present: Bruce Blokland, Dan Lerner, Livy Strong, Dave Williamson

Board Members Absent: Donna Pratt, Jim Massingham

Public Comment

- Kirk Peterson & Carla Hochschild: presented ideas for sculptures at the park. Possibly a sculpture trail at the off leash eastern side of the park. Hoping to apply for a grant with VT Arts Council (up to 15k grant – money in hand in 2022). Would use funds to commission two sculptures. Envisions multiple types of materials used A , not likely stone, due to cost.

1. They proposed: to be a “subcommittee” to JUPD Board, with JUPD having full capacity and authority on the art and it’s placement. Would apply for grants under JUPD name with JUPD as the applicant (trying to avoid the process of creating an 501C3). JUPD would manage all funds generated and manage all cash disbursement.

2. Also wants to host an event concurrent to Harvest Market (end of September) to build community awareness for the sculpture concept. Wants to host their event at the park. Paint rocks, hide in park, people find them.

--After lengthy discussion, board agreed to the concept of sculpture at the park.

The board expressed reservations about using JUPD’s name and federal ID to apply for grants. More exploration needed.

--Livy agreed to assist Carla and Kirk in evaluating the possibility of qualifying for the VT Arts Council grant.

--The Board unanimously agreed to allow the group to set up a tent outside the covered bridge on Harvest Market weekend to host an art project, to paint small rocks.

Review of Minutes

Motion – Dave, “approve as written.”

Second - Dan

No discussion.

Approved unanimously (4-0)

Covered Bridge Reconstruction Phase 1

Blow and Cote bid \$36,750

Chesterfield Associates bid \$150,000

Motion by Bruce to accept the Blow & Cote bid in the amount of \$36,750 for completion of the covered bridge reconstruction phase one.”

Dave seconded the motion

No further discussion.

Approved unanimously (4-0)

Pedestrian Bridge phase two

Bruce stated that the RFP has been reviewed and edited to include Jericho's requirement that a permanent bridge conform to base flood elevation (BFE). Livy to talk to the town to determine if they have plans for this bridge elsewhere in Jericho. Bruce to talk to Paul Boisvert at EV, to try to ascertain estimated costs in sizing abutments to meet the BFE requirement.

Bruce motioned to proceed with publishing the RFP for moving and installing the pedestrian bridge Phase 2."

Second – Dave

Approved unanimously (4-0)

Dave motioned to spend \$150 on one new plexiglass sheet for the bridge posters."

Second – Bruce

Motion fails 0-4.

Bruce motioned to hire an attorney to produce a contract for the Covered Bridge Reconstruction phase 1 bid. Amount approved not to exceed \$500."

Second: Dave

Approved unanimously (4-0)

Park Management (beaver/pond update, ice cart request, off leash dogs in the on leash area of the park, dog poop management, job list, people count for June and one day. :)

--Beaver/pond update

- Eight trees have been wrapped in wire. Next project is to use sand/paint for trees that have multiple trunks and are so close to the pond they cannot be wired. Discussion of continued beaver activity, some saplings have been taken.

--Ice cream cart – Dave let Ava Stotz know she had the green light; nothing has happened yet.

--Off leash dogs in the on-leash area

- Discussion of a person with a large dog who is not keeping the dog leashed. There was a negative interaction with another, smaller dog. What can we do about this?
- We need to identify this person (get a license plate). We can then meet this person, if possible, have animal control officer with us. Animal control can call state police to assist in resolution.

--Dog poop management – Livy can continue this, but we could share the job. Winter is harder... perhaps we need a garden cart. L says we have one in the barn. Maybe move it to the shed. No action at this time.

People count for June – 25,345 or 422 per day.

Other business:

Discussed Dan's Cash management policy. Issue tabled until next meeting.

Board vacancy: we still have one for an Underhill resident. No new leads yet.

Dave motioned to adjourn.

Bruce seconded.

All approved.

Meeting ended at approximately 8:30pm

Minutes created by Bruce Blokland