

**TOWN OF GENESEE
PARK BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 4, 2022**

Park Board Chairman Ron Hill called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Present were Scott Hettwer, Dennis Michaelis, Kevin Mickelberg, Jana Heinzlmann and Charlie Gresser. Absent was Town Board liaison Charlie Ross. Also present were Mike Berg, DPT Superintendent and Barb Whitmore, Park Board Secretary.

Approval of minutes of 9-6-2022 and 9-7-2022

Michaelis made motion to approve, Mickelberg seconded, motion carried.

Monthly report on work at town parks – Mike Berg

Berg stated he had no report this month, they didn't do a lot.

The work on the berm at the Nature Center is done for this year, it has been seeded. Mickelberg reported people are now using the area, he has seen people picnicking there. Opening the front to the road has made a big difference.

Discussion of the baseball pavilion

Berg reported there was a meeting at the site and it was discovered the pavilion size was too large for the area. A lengthy discussion followed; it is felt a pavilion of 24' x 36' could be placed there. Hill stated 16 picnic tables could be placed there, about 96 people. There was also a discussion on possibly taking about 1/3 of the current park equipment building partitioning it off, heating it and adding restrooms and a concession area.

There was also discussion of adding a concession area so large tournaments could be held there, or adding it as a third rental area.

It was agreed by everyone that there needs to be restrooms closer to the fields.

After further discussion it was agreed the Park Board would like to meet again this year in November to discuss the estimate costs for the pavilion to move ahead and/or re-doing the park equipment building adding toilets and a concession area, the Park Board members all agreed they want to do this correctly.

Discussion of existing park equipment building

This was included in the earlier discussion.

Prioritizing Park build repair

Berg asked what they feel should be worked on first at the park. He felt the plumbing should be the first thing worked on especially at the shelter at Sunset, then the wood on the pavilion, discussion. Hill stated he would meet with Berg this winter and go over work to be done. It was also felt some updates needed to be done at Town Park

Discussion of soccer field arrangement

Michaelis stated they are discussion another big soccer field at Sunset Park. He explained turning fields, moving others. Mickelberg and Michaelis are working in the lay-out. Michaelis felt another field would be utilized. Hill asked that once the work is completed the fields are re-numbered and the layout /numbers of the fields be put on the fields and web page so people will know before they come to games where they are going.

Discussion of fencing on baseball fencing at both parks

Discussion of adding fencing in the outfield of field #3 at Sunset. Michaelis asked to get pricing for the additional fencing. It was also noted that there is curling of the fencing at Town Pak on the 1st and 3rd base side. Michaelis was also asked to get costs for this.

Discussion big field dug out protection

There was a discussion of how the project is going, Berg reported it is basically done this year. They have to come up with a plan on how to fix it, the cost of mud jacking was high. This discussion will continue next year.

Discussion of capital projects for budgeting for 2023

Zipline at Town Park and exercise course at Sunset

Berg was considering another zip line at Town Park, it is used a lot and possibly adding an exercise course at Sunset. These are things that will have to be discussed next year, but wanted the Park Board members to think about it.

Update on Recreation Department- Dennis Michaelis

Michaelis reported the baseball practice should be done in mid-Nov. and soccer will be done November 1. Discussion on the amount of use the pickleball courts have gotten this year.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence this year.

Gresser made motion to adjourn, Mickelberg seconded, motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Whitmore, WCMC
Park Board Secretary