

Village of Hobart Parks & Recreation Committee Minutes
Monday April 29th 2024

ROUTINE ITEMS TO BE ACTED UPON:

1. Call to order/Roll Call (5:30 PM) – Mary Jane Hemmy (Chairperson), Laura Lear (Vice-Chairperson), Cynthia Silvers, Kassie Freckman, Jane Jerzak and Tammy Zittlow (Alternate) were present.
2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda – ACTION: To certify the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda MOTION: Lear SECOND: Jerzak VOTE: 6-0
3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items - None
4. Approval of the March 18th 2024 minutes - MOTION: Lear SECOND: Freckman VOTE: 6-0

ACTION ITEMS

5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Election of Committee President and Vice President - ACTION: To nominate Mary Jane Hemmy as Committee President MOTION: Jerzak SECOND: Silvers VOTE: 6-0 ACTION: To nominate Laura Lear as Committee Vice President MOTION: Hemmy SECOND: Freckman VOTE: 6-0
6. UPDATE – Current Projects - Administrator Kramer updated the Committee of the Village Board's recent action to move ahead with Sorenson Family Park in Centennial Centre, as well as the progress of installing a multi-use trail in the southeastern area of the Village. No action was taken.
7. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Long-Term Park and Green Space Planning - Staff, at the last meeting, presented a number of options on what amenities and improvements could possibly be made to the inventory of parks and green spaces the Village owns. The Committee discussed the proposals before making recommendations to the Village Board and made the following recommendations to the Village Board: 1) Creation of a dog park in Riverdale Park, 2) Installation of pickleball courts in Four Seasons Park, and 3) installing a park adjacent to the new Fire Station on South Pine Tree Road. Jerzak asked that the Committee also look at the possibility of installing a walking trail on Centennial Centre Boulevard west of Hill Road to Pine Tree Road and pursue the development of a walking/bike trail along the old railroad path from Oneida to Pamperin Park.
8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Current Four Seasons Rental Policy - Staff was seeking input from the Committee on possible changes to the rental form and policy to forward to the Village Board. The main change was to require all fees and deposits be paid prior to any site being rented. ACTION: To approve a recommendation to the Village Board to change the Four Seasons Park Rental Contract to require all Deposit and Rental Fees due upon reservation of the facility MOTION: Zittlow SECOND: Jerzak VOTE: 6-0
9. DISCUSSION AND ACTION - Chapter 215 (Parks and Recreation Areas) - Staff was seeking input from the Committee on possible changes to the parks and recreation areas ordinance to forward to the Village

Board. The consensus of the Committee was to ask the Police Chief to review the Ordinance and make recommendations on changes for the Committee to consider.

10. DISCUSSION AND ACTION - Items for Future Agendas/Scheduling of Next Committee Meeting – Kramer said the next meeting would likely deal with the previous park proposals if they receive a positive response from the Board.

11. ADJOURN (6:58 PM) – MOTION: Zittlow SECOND: Lear VOTE: 6-0