

Avilla Park Board Meeting Minutes

May 6, 2021

- **Call to Order @ 7:30pm**
- **Reading of previous meeting minutes: Ann Freeman, approved as read**

OLD BUSINESS:

- **5 Year Plan**, Eley Park land still awaiting disposition of land, Bill Ley said the farmer is farming it this year. Will give us time to get our ducks in a row for planning.
- **Avilla Freedom Festival**- fireworks planned for field area
- **Story Walk by Avilla library**- No new updates thus far. Ruth Guthrie dropped off plastic lids that are beginning to collect at NCPL for benches
- **Dog Park**- any updates from Ann? Avilla Police mentioned the dog walk to go down and around Provena Sacred Heart nursing home is this still possible? It is a month away! June 5.2021
- **Need to discuss walk map with Glen (Avilla PD)**; Ann visited area businesses to share event flyers; Dog Walk has three secured sponsors and ~10 participants registered; focus is now on building awareness and getting people excited to participate; Ann showed example of fence plaque from Classic City Signs
- **Community Market** - First Market roundup starting every other Saturday June 5, morning hours 8am-noon; Katie Schaller was in attendance; Katie provided updates that ~15 vendors have now committed; wares include candles, foods, vegetables, meats; Parks to reshare community market reminders as date approaches; Blazing BBQ food truck will also be present on June 5th
- **Top Bathroom restorations**- Brian has ordered supplies from Home Depot and storing it for us until we can install after painting project complete. Howard working on ideas to install hot water. Victor to start job some time this weekend weather permitting for outside. Reviewed previously approved quote for this project from January minutes
- **Gator discussion**- **KFG** sourcewell program is a 19% discount after talking with Brian need to reach out with discussion to talk to Truelove's in Albion, they have a program which you buy at cost but then is replaced every year with \$1k cost yearly with new replacement yearly. They do not have gators though we may need to discuss side-by-side options if we go with Truelove's
- **Noble Trails** - We met with Noble Trails on the 3rd Thursday of the April 15th, at Avilla Community Center, the Noble Trails just expressed our community involvement to become part of the Noble Trails committee instead of having our own and would like us to help fundraise \$120K for the what they call a Showcase (Ley Road to Weimer Road) part of trail. Jessica to show map. Noble Trails meets 2nd Tues. of Month at the Rome City town hall.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Door Lock** - Snyder has come and replaced all knobs and locks and even put a striker plate on the door to prevent jimmying or any kind of break in. And has keyed all knobs to 1 master key, need to pay bill of \$461.17—voted and approved to pay
- **Weed eater** Huskavarna has been ordered from the Sell's Do it Best estimated price for \$193 vote to pay when bill comes in. Voted and approved to pay
- **Push mower** 3-1 Troy Bilt motor purchased today, voted and approved to pay

- **Library Programs in the park** Ruth Guthrie has asked that we give permission for the library to utilize the park every Thursday morning starting June 3rd through July 8th in the summer from 10am-11am for story time (6 weeks with different animal theme) and would also like to have a live animal program Marks Ark in the Park with animals on June 10th at 2pm. Voted and approved

OPEN DISCUSSION:

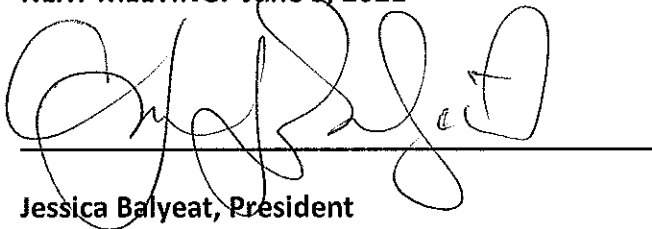
-Lutheran Church would like to have Pavilion community gathering on September 19, 2021 for free of charge vote to approve. Approved

-Also, we have an unclaimed bicycle from the Easter Bunny event, and Ruth would like to know what our thoughts are on it. Should she do another drawing of some type, any discussion? Voted and approved for Ruth to utilize bike in community giveaway as she sees fit

-Should we have a rental agreement drafted for the use of the Pavilion? Yes, Jessica to put together a draft agreement for Board review

Kyle (softball coaches)- willing to paint silhouettes for free; requesting him to put together sketches of what it will look like; Ren can power wash buildings then put a fresh coat of paint prior to painting

NEXT MEETING: June 3, 2021



Jessica Balyeat, President



Nate Hicks, Vice President



Ann Freeman, Secretary

Megan Kline, Board Member