

Special Park Board Meeting

March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021

Attendance: Dirk Schmidt, Ron Turpin, Bill Gravatt, Tyler Witmer. Town Manager Pat Proctor. Clerk-Treasurer Pam Spannuth. Park Administrator Janet O'Connor.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Dirk Schmidt called for the special meeting to approve the purchase of playground mulch for the Riverside Gardens and the Leo-Cedarville Imagination Station playground. Three bids were obtained by the park department and submitted to the Park Board for their consideration. The lowest bid was from Felgers, \$18.00 a yard and \$105.00 per 30 yards for delivery to either park. Jacob from town maintenance had inspected the playgrounds and thru his measurements the amount of 120 yards was deemed needed to bring the playground up to a safety level dictated by the State and the previous inspection from 2020. After some discussion pertaining to past mulching and costs, etc. It was decided that the quote from Felgers was acceptable and the mulch amount of \$2580.00 was agreed upon. Ron Turpin made a motion to accept the quote, Tyler Witmer 2<sup>nd</sup>. Dirk Schmidt asked for a roll call and 3 members present accepted the quote and the amount with Bill Gravatt abstaining. Dirk Schmidt stated that the motion was passed.

The next item brought to the Board's attention was a quote for work to be done on the Goose Deterrent and Riverside Rain Gardens. Heartland had supplied a quote for the summer of 2021- \$3,265.00. This would maintain, weed and fertilize the area per their recommendations. A list of their approach to the project was submitted. The board had a discussion as to where the funds to cover this cost would come from. Also, the board wanted to know how long the project would need to continue and at what yearly cost. Pam Spannuth outlined the areas where the funds could be transferred from and into a maintenance account. Pat Proctor advised the Board that part of the Grant that we received called for the Leo Parks to maintain the areas so that they could be used in various teaching projects in the future. He advised that if we did not take care of the project, we may have to pay back the \$20,000 grant. After more discussion, Bill Gravatt made a motion to accept the Heartland contract and Ron Turpin 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion passed after a roll call 4-0.

The question was asked of the Board whether they wanted to continue one more month of Zoom before resuming in person meeting. The majority agreed to hold one more meeting via Zoom and begin in person meetings in May. At approx. 5:53 pm, President Dirk Schmidt stated the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Janet O'Connor

Leo-Cedarville Park

Approved  
via Zoom  
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