

Jenkins Park Advisory Board
July 14, 2010
Meeting Minutes

Present: Lynnette Ziskin, chair, Dave Cote, Dan Richardson, Peter Petrillose, Woody Bowler, Ross MacKinnon, Kim Ireland.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

The minutes of the June 9, 2010 meeting were approved with clarifications; they were posted on the TOB website.

Thank you to Curtis Lumber for donating fence post, rails, and screws for Jenkins Park fence. Thank you to Bill Bechtel and Woody Bowler for completing fence repairs.

We have obtained estimates for the wet area (in the front of Jenkins Park). It appears that this project is too costly for our budget at this time, and the project will be revisited in the future when funds are allocated for a project of this size/cost.

Lynnette will obtain 3 estimates for the removal of 8 tree stumps. Since this is a maintenance/safety issue, the work will be done immediately with the lowest bidder.

The high school volunteer is unable to complete the bridge that will cross the west trail. We must come up with a new plan. Dan Russell has volunteered his tractor and trailer for any heavy work associated with the construction of the bridge.

Thank you to BH-BL High School volunteers Caroline Morba and Victoria Lehmen, who painted the giraffe, merry-go-round, 3 tiered climber, and sandbox.

Lynnette will e-mail John Antoski, Social Studies District Chair, regarding the recruitment of additional high school volunteers.

Thank you to the Town of Ballston Highway Dept. for prompt removal of the rubbish pile, relocating/ reinstalling 3 signs.

Thank you to Dan Russell, who has completed the trail around #3 baseball field. We still have additional stone dust available for another layer on the trail, and some for the south side of basketball area.

The BH-BL Rotary contacted Lynnette stating their availability for a community work project on July 26. The following projects were suggested: replace bench seats and backs of existing benches in playground area; build new picnic tables for pavilion; build new benches for baseball field area.

Thank you to Cathy Rogers who contacted Lynnette and would like to donate perennials to Jenkins Park for a park entrance beautification project. Thank you to Ross MacKinnon for coordinating this project with Cathy.

The ponds at the park have improved since the treatment with barley straw in the spring and the addition of 8 grass carp. A Park District neighbor offered to rake the weeds from the ponds if the JPAB agreed to purchase a pond rake. At this time, the JPAB

agreed it's not necessary, but will keep that option open if the conditions of the ponds warrant that.

Lynnette will call Joe Whalen and request an inspection of the pond culvert by Jenkins Road to ensure it's not clogged.

Peter Petrillose has constructed horseshoe pits for Jenkins Park. Discussion ensued as to their placement in the park.

Future event requests for Jenkins Park: Volleyball camp, August 2 – 5; Pop Warner football annual kick-off, August 14. Additionally, the Boy Scouts held 2 year-end parties at the end of June in the park.

Bill was unable to attend the meeting tonight; we will have an update on Jenkins Park funding at our next meeting

Thank you to Woody Bowler and Ross MacKinnon for creating the Jenkins Park usage forms: Attachment "A" and Park Use Permit Application. We will review the final version at the August meeting.

At our August meeting, we must draft the 2011 Jenkins Park proposed budget. The budget must be submitted to the Town Supervisor by September 1.

The next meeting of the JPAB will be on August 18, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Meeting adjourned: 9:12 p.m.