

**TOWN OF WESTPORT  
PARK COMMITTEE MEETING**  
Kennedy Administration Building  
Community Meeting Room  
5387 Mary Lake Road  
Waunakee, WI 53597

**Minutes**— August 3, 2022 6:00 p.m.

Present: Amy Freidig, Michelle Wing, Ben Buss, Mick Holm

Absent: Deana Loewenhagen, Dave O'Malley

Also present: Bob Anderson, Barry Buckwalter, Jessica Duffrin, Dean Grosskopf

Joint Meeting with Waunakee Parks called to order 6:05 p.m.

The joint meeting was a presentation by MSA of a summary of CORP public survey results.

Westport Park Committee called to order at 6:48 p.m.

July minutes approved by a motion from Buss, 2nd Wing.

**CORP:** Committee members and town staff discussed the survey results and summary presented by MSA. It was noted that though MSA highlighted a lack of ball fields in the town, they are present outside of town parks (school fields, field at St. Mary of the Lake, softball league at Willows Tavern.)

Anderson clarified that the town only has easements in the DNR/Carriage Ridge trail system. Bridge is owned by Bunbury. What MSA marked at Carriage Ridge Neighborhood Park is the drainage pond area cared for by the HOA, not a town park.

Freidig passed on a suggestion from Loewenhagen of a bike repair station.

**Town Center Park:** Anderson provided a summary of how budget process works. Committee clarified that members are not pushing for immediate purchase of new equipment but want the plan set so that it can be budgeted. Wing will send equipment suggestions to Duffrin to pass on to Lee Recreation. Liability/fall zone issues regarding including boulders was also discussed.

**Tree Plan:** stumps will be removed at Christina and Steeplechase parks. Mary Lake stumps are being intentionally left for kids' nature play.

**General Park:**

- Buckwalter briefed the committee on the ongoing attempts to fix the broken rocker at Mary Lake. Town will be asking Burke for a replacement. Wing will give a suggestion of an alternative to Buckwalter and Duffrin.
- Mary Lake sandbox repairs/replacement should maintain existing size and style.
- Sign system update should be finalized soon. Needed park sign updates can be addressed in CORP.
- The boardwalk bike path on Highway M may be closed by the county for 2 years once Hwy M construction begins in 2023. After reconstruction, the bike bath should extend to Blue Bill Park. There are not yet plans to extend the bike path between Bishops Bay and Middleton.

Meeting adjourned 7:50 p.m. Motion from Wing, 2nd Buss.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Wing.