

Shepherdstown Parks and Recreation Minutes
Town Hall
February 27, 2024

1. Call to Order: 6:05 pm

Attendees:

Committee members: Cheryl Roberts, Chair; Lori Robertson, Marty Amerikaner
Staff: Mayor Auxer, Billy Grove, Stephanie Grove,

2. Approval of Agenda: Moved: Lori, second: Marty.

3. Approval of Minutes from November 28, 2023: Moved: Lori, Second: Marty

4. Welcome Visitors: Marcy Bartlett, James Gatz

5. Unfinished Business:

a. Bane Harris Park- C. Roberts

i. Pickle Ball: net is tethered to the fence and available for use; being used on nice days. Sign is made and will be attached soon.

ii. Playground Equipment Replacement:

1. RFP{ Submission Review and Comment: There was one response received, with a bid of \$77,300 (including removal of old and installation of new equipment). This figure is to replace entire set of equipment. Bidder noted that we can have less equipment replaced and/or can repair current equipment. Stephanie will work with bidder to clarify costs and value of repair option and Cheryl agreed to meet with him at the park to discuss what makes sense regarding possible repairs.

b. Cullison Park- M. Amerikaner

i. FlexiPave update: Capitol Flexipave provided a bid of \$18000 to build the proposed extension of the walking path from the current path out to Rumsey Park. In discussing this, the idea of using ground glass to fill in the new path extension was mentioned, and Stephanie agreed to get more information about this option.

ii. Border nails: Billy agreed to address this issue either by drilling through the underlying rock or shortening the nails to allow them to be tapped down to a level surface with the border material.

iii. Stairway up to park from Mill St: The stairs and handrails need to be repaired/rebuilt.

c. Riverfront Park- J. Haynes

i. Jenny reported that the park and boat ramp are still being used frequently.

d. Rumsey Park – C. Roberts

i. Cheryl reported that the park looks very good; no vandalism is evident.

ii. The stairs/railing behind Rumsey Monument need some work to build a bottom landing area and associated handrail.

- e. Viola Devonshire Park- L. Robertson
 - i. Pickleball Update- the equipment is being kept in the installed lockbox.
 - f. Bookmark the Park- 2024: Cheryl will coordinate the program.
 - g. Fall Prevention-Age Friendly Shepherdstown- The work noted above regarding protruding nails and the stairs in Cullison, as well as the stairs in Rumsey are several items within the Fall Prevention report.
 - h. Member vacancies: 2 (Tully and Effie)- recruiting efforts have begun; Marty agreed to mention the openings in the next Town email.
6. New Business
- a. Hurley Estate- no action by Parks and Rec is needed at this time.
 - b. Future topics- repaving of park paths and basketball courts; Stephanie will add these to Capital Improvements list; the Grants Committee can be asked to explore possible grants aimed at park improvements.
7. Next Meeting- March 26, 2024, location TBD
8. Adjournment: 6:47. Lori moved, Jenny second

Respectfully submitted by Marty Amerikaner