

Johnson Sk8Park & Bike Track Committee Meeting Notes

Wednesday, July 8, 2015

5:00 p.m., Upstairs at Town Offices

We did not have a quorum, so no formal meeting was held; no votes or actions were taken. Members Howard Romero, Casey Romero, and Jon Girard, plus Site Supervisor Kyle Bowler discussed agenda items, with email input from Richard Bowen. Key points are listed below.

1. Current Expenses & Cash Balance Report. After deposits and paying current expenses, bank balance will be about \$9831. We have spent all but \$2563 of Project funds from State Rec grant (and our match). The remainder will be spent on finishing the feature. A Report is due to the State, including bills, accounting and Richie's work diary (coming soon).
2. Laraway Report (includes update & discussion of future joint GMF grant). Casey met with Katherine (Development Director) of Laraway. Laraway's concept is a joint application to fund something that would benefit community members as well as Park riders and LYFS kids. This could be a program, a site improvement, or other. Some improvement suggestions included: concrete picnic tables or a gazebo (grill area); play or exercise equipment that promotes balance and isn't found elsewhere in Johnson. Bouldering wall discussed: it's fun but there are the same insurance issues as for climbing walls (equipment & liability). Bottom line is that we want to continue exploring this idea with LYFS.

3. Project:

Completion: Concrete Work, Other Elements & Records From Richie's email: coating will be done this Sunday, rails will be finished (ground and painted) and Rules sign mounted. There may be no need for additional material between lower rails (chicken wire or netting is not a good idea; strong mesh or rebar would work). He wants Kyle to peel off wood fibers from back of concrete feature (prep for coating), also tear down Quarterpipe at far end of Park (next to hip). We need to move and re-position the bank ramp where asphalt meets concrete. The spilled concrete needs to be removed and burn pile dealt with.

Richie will send Work Diary in some form by next week.

Possible dates for Opening Event: 1st or 2nd weekend in August. Sunday preferred so Kyle can be here all day.

4. Site Supervisor Report Kyle has spent a lot of hours weedwhacking the Bike Track. Occasionally other bikers or LYFS kids help a bit with dirtwork. Casey will put notice on Front Porch Forum asking for more help with dirtwork (rake, shovel, fill holes) in general, and will follow up with Cornelius re: shed key & access for any LYFS staff who want to help. Kyle re-configured the interior shed walls & re-located light fixture. Some outlets don't work; Howard will help this weekend. Kyle asked about planting flowers in a spot on bike track; we will ask around for any spare day lilies etc.
5. Tool & Equipment Shopping List (grant) Priorities were: safety glasses & ear plugs; a 4.5" angle grinder, 18 volt Milwaukee cordless sawzall; 18 volt impact driver w/charger, drills, bits (Q about Milwaukee vs Ryobi...if we had a Milwaukee charger on hand, we could consider Ryobi tools); hammers (3 lb. sledge, ballpeen, 2 Stanleys). Q about hand tools currently in cage: if they are Richie's, we need pliers, pry bar, 30 ft tape, & chalk reel. Definitely need a weed whacker, Kyle says straight shaft style is best.

Discussion ended about 6 p.m.