

**Johnson Sk8Park & Bike Track Committee Meeting**  
**Draft Minutes for Thursday October 13, 2016**

Present were: Jon Girard, Casey Romero, Howard Romero, Greg Fatigate, George Agnew and employee Nate Plocharczyk. Guest George Swanson, new Farm Steward at Laraway, left before the meeting began.

1. Call To Order: Meeting called to order at 5:10 p.m.

2. Minutes of September 14, 2016: Approved by consensus with a revision re: proposed Bike Track work.

3. Directors Orders: Casey estimates current balance of \$9294.00 after paying current Order. We will owe a fair amount to the Town for payroll after July 15.

4. Site: A. Manager's Report: Nate has done lots of clean-up, as usual. He worked on the A-frame coping and some other repairs. The hip ramp needs interior repair next spring, and the mini ramp needs wood repair (interior plywood and some ribbing). Laraway staffer Ben Pacelli is still interested in having LYFS staffers work on the Mini. Casey said that would depend on whether their staff community work days could coincide with when work on the Mini can be done, so we need to stay in touch with them. George still plans to repair the exterior electric outlet this fall.

B. Plans/Improvements: Rt. 15 Sign, Bike Track: Sign: Casey showed revised design from Cutting Edge Graphics; approved by consensus to proceed with minor type design changes. She will then work with Town Admin. and Highway Dept. for formal approval. George asked about the bolt that will secure it the post (concern about theft). Casey described what she's seen on other signs on Town Highway posts: they seem like a good design against vandals although there can be no guarantees about what other damage can be done. Bike Track: Greg has done some sketches but did not bring them. He showed photos of some features at Smuggs that are similar to what he has in mind for our Track, like bridges and a seesaw: enthusiastically received! He also wants to put in some ledge rock jumps and other use of rocks. He will need lots of cedar posts for various features, plus cedar or hemlock logs (whole and half-rounds). George said Ed Brannigan might be able to donate some this fall, and possibly some stone; he and Greg will coordinate & follow up. Re: dirt, Nathan said that removing dirt beyond the edge of the Pump Track should not be a problem. Casey emailed Ken Harvey about the two piles back by the woods. He hasn't responded and she is fairly sure that we can take them (she will ask him again). Basically, what Greg ends up building depends on a combo of donated material and what we can buy. Casey plans to apply for two grants in the spring and will follow up with Greg soon to get a materials/supplies list so she can develop a budget. Greg also wants to have an informational sign at the new Track; all approve this idea. It would be professionally done, thus part of the project budget.

C. Proposal from Geoff Hall, concrete & steel repair: We reviewed the proposal, including the option to barter three concrete tools for cost of some of the work. We called Geoff with some questions about the work and schedule. Because this work will prevent ice and water damage to the feature, consensus was that it must be done. Howard moved to accept Geoff Hall's proposal for the estimate of \$600 to repair concrete and do welding; we agree to barter three tools valued at \$464 toward cost of the job; the job is to be completed before hard freeze this year. Jon seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

5. Proposed Event: Nate can't put this together this fall. George wants to do a music-based event in the spring as a fundraiser for the new Track: enthusiastically received! We should plan to hold this in late April, before JSC students leave. It would be great to have a fall and spring event.

6. Update on Laraway Path: No discussion; George Swanson of Laraway got info from Casey before the meeting began. Casey will follow up with him as needed.

7. Change Meeting Date: Greg said the day doesn't matter as he can't plan ahead during December and January.

We agree on Thursdays (second Thurs of month) for the rest of 2016.

8. Other Business: Howard reported that the Recreation Archery program was very successful, and will be repeated next year (but not in the meadow!). They will move to the other side of Wescom Rd. Also, someone wanted info on getting space in Community Garden; it's been successful in the Meadow and we should figure it will stay there.

9. Adjourn: Greg moved to adjourn at 6:02; seconded and approved by consensus.