

Draft Minutes for Johnson Sk8Park & Bike Track Committee
Meeting

5:00 p.m., Thursday, November 1, 2018

Present were: Rick Aupperlee, George Swanson, Jon Girard, Greg Fatigate, Howard Romero, Casey Romero and guests Thomas and Ashton Schrieber.

1. Call To Order Meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m. Tom & Ashton Schrieber introduced to Committee members; Greg knows them already from a Cambridge Skateboard Club.
2. Minutes of October 4, 2018 Approved by consensus.
3. Directors Orders No November operating bills yet; not expecting anything significant. October 30 estimated checkbook balance was \$2579. We still owe Town for payroll, and will need 2018-19 tax allocation to cover that expense. Jon has not submitted a timesheet yet for about 12 hours of work.
Grant-funded expenses in Oct. were all payroll: \$175 for construction, and \$525 for social/data work, including coaching. Construction fund balance is now estimated at \$13,008. Social/Data fund balance estimate is \$1516.
4. Bike Terrain: Recent & Upcoming Work, Budget, Other Casey reviewed the updated project budget for spring 2019. Estimated expenses (including \$500 deduction suggested by Greg) are \$13,330. Estimates for Repair Station, sign, and bike rack are still “soft”. But it looks like we can finish the project comfortably. More posts & rails are needed for the fence. The Community Garden does not have any funds available, so we will cover this. Casey checked with State Surplus Equipment re: bike rack; no luck. We could ask the welding class at GMTCC. George said 2” galvanized round metal conduit is available at Laraway, though welders often won’t work with galvanized material. Casey will follow up with GMTCC. Greg has scheduled the last 2 weeks of April to finish the project. Brian Krause (Highway Dept) looked at Pump Track dirt mound to be moved for Terrain Start Hill. He will contact Greg; it’s possible this work could be done in 2018 if ground conditions and weather cooperate.
5. 2019 Projects: Basketball Area & Concrete Half-Bowl By consensus, all confirm continued interest in building the Half-Bowl and basketball area. Casey got an admittedly high estimate for paving a full half-court: \$5-7,000 (Pike), with all sitework & prep done by the Town. After discussion on site with Brian Krause, she recommended re-considering using the back stretch. We could use existing asphalt and Brian thought sitework on the south side of road was not a big deal.
6. Laraway Report The garden is wrapped, and George reported there will be some winter projects. Kids recently did crop gleaning, gathered enough corn for a popcorn party. Students and staff celebrated Halloween with a costume parade and party.
7. Site Supervisors Reports (Jon & Nate) Jon has worked about 12 hours on trash removal & basic maintenance. He repaired the damaged green picnic table, and made one whole table from parts of the two larger damaged tables. Casey referred to Nate’s timesheets: some

grant-funded sitework plus about 40 hours Social/Data work, including coaching. No problems.

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9. Crime & Sheriff's Update Thomas Ashton spoke about the family's distress about what happened, and their intention to make amends. Greg, from his earlier history with Ashton, was upset to learn of his involvement. He vouched for Ashton's good character as a role model in the Cambridge program. Casey spoke about concerns beyond the actual charges of criminal trespass: the bongs found near sheds, and the negative impact on Park atmosphere and culture. Behavior and attitude of some of the accused youth has caused at least one youth (reported to Casey) to feel uncomfortable enough to leave the Park when those older boys were present. Greg spoke more about the importance of a friendly, supportive culture. Others concurred; we need help restoring a good atmosphere. Greg said kids need to be brave to do the right thing, and to speak up when someone else is acting badly: this isn't easy to do. There are ways to be positive without needing to be "morality police". He gave Ashton some specific examples of how riders can support each other by doing small, positive actions. Casey relayed info from Restorative Justice about the basic process and timeline for court action and Diversion Program, and said that the Committee will be involved in the process and will have a voice in work requested for community service. Everyone on the Committee wants the most positive outcome for these youth as well as the Park.

10. Storage & Other Security Issues We discussed key control and how one went astray last summer. In the future, no tools will be left in the cage, nor any keys. We will continue to keep a driver and sawzall and some supplies in the shed (not the cage), once repairs and lock upgrades are made. We might re-use the "new" padlocks as Ashton stated no copies were made of the key. Howard recommended putting a flush-mount lock on shed door and adding a metal box around cage door padlock, as is done in state parks. Casey will ask Leo's; Howard will contact Custom Metal Fabricators. We will consider selling some of the equipment not frequently used.

10. Task List: *Current list includes yard hydrant, trash cans, bulletin board and P & S sign.* Howard & Jon will work on hydrant and Parker & Stearns sign. Jon needs to drill holes in bottom of at least one trash can, for drainage.

11. Other Business Greg starts coaching work & travel; will not attend meetings until April. Casey described state grant award ceremony; she learned amounts and recipients of other awarded projects.

12. Adjourn Howard moved to adjourn at 6:02 p.m., seconded by Greg and approved.