

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

Minutes—July 5, 2023 6:00 p.m.

Present: Amy Freidig, Michelle Wing, Deanna Loewenhagen, Ben Buss

Absent: Mick Holm

Also Present: Julie Trotter

Meeting called to order 6:03 p.m.

June minutes approved by motion by Wing, 2nd Loewenhagen.

DNR Urban Forestry Grant: Julie Trotter suggested that the town apply for a forestry grant for tree planting. Applications are due in the fall. The committee would like town staff to initiate an application. Trotter is willing to assist staff.

Town Park Center: Town board approved the play equipment proposal, which has been ordered for a 2024 installation. A rep. from Gerber Leisure will be at the 8/7 town board meeting to answer board member questions. The park committee appreciates the board's support of the proposal.

Trees: Freidig suggests 9–10 trees for 2024, to be planted around soccer fields. Species would be catalpa, bur oak, London plane, hop hornbeam.

Schall memorial: Committee would like to proceed with ordering a bench and tree (serviceberry) in memorial to Sheldon Schall, to be placed near conservancy trail entrance. Several years ago, Duffrin and Freidig put together a brochure for memorials, which should be followed.

Miscellaneous: Buss inquired about town plans for future paved trails, such as with road replacement. He will review CORP/Comprehensive plans for proposed trails.

Loewenhagen discussed a potential mission statement to guide the park committee. She will review town documents for any language for inclusion.

Buss asked about Kennedy Rd. development and if/when park commitment might have input.

Motion to adjourn by Buss, 2nd Loewenhagen. Committee adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Wing.