

TOWN OF LINCOLN
PARKS AND RECREATION MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 9, 2024

The Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm Commission members present were Sean Gaughan, William Goho, Chris Cutler, Andrew Bruncini, Frank Kelly, Frank Morin, Member not present John Sharkey..

A motion was made to accept Sept minutes in Nov meeting motion accepted by Sean Gaughan and second by Frank Kelly

Directors Report

Past month we have been working on maintenance of the parks (cutting, weed whacking,etc) We did have some vandalism at Manville Park (spray paint) that has been taking care of. No other vandalism to be reported..

The soccer field at Manville Park is looking great. The field is in the best condition we've seen since the reconstruction.

Two out of the five Parks & Recreation capitol projects have been completed. The new playground at Lime Acres has been completed. The new playground looks great, especially compared to what was previously there. The playground is ready for usage. The only thing that needs to be finished is the ADA walkway which will be paved and finished by next week.I did speak with the representative from UTIPLAY about the possibilty of using the plastic barrier at Saylesville Park due to flooding of that playground. Unfortunately, the barrier would not keep the water out of the play ground and wouldn't stop the flooding from occurring.

The reconstruction of the Albion baseball infield has been completed. The field will need to rest for a few weeks due to new sod being placed.

R.A.D. did have some left over material that we are able to utilize at Albion Park. The left over material will be spread near the basketball court where the grass was ripped up during reconstruction of the new basketball courts.

The next project will be cameras at the parks. The Town Counsil awarded an additionally 7,000.00 for the cameras at the parks. I have spoken to the company (CSI) and everything is finalized to move forward. CSI has told me they will begin installing the cameras in December because of their busy schedule the next few months.

The new pickleball courts will take some time and will completed towards the summertime. We did take the first step in getting the area surveyed.

We have been gearing up for our winter programs and have begun registrations for our basketball programs. Our adult pickleball program has begun. This program has been very popular and filled up within days of offering it to our residents. Other programs such as our instructional chess and adult fitness classes are on going and doing well.

The next month we will begin to start winterizing the parks. We will be monitoring the weather in regards to shutting off the water at the parks. We will also set a schedule for leaf pick-up at all parks.

Finally, our summer events have concluded. We held our final Farmers Market this past Saturday . All concerts/ events at Chase Farm went excellent. We have received great feedback from those who attended and look forward to having more events next summer.

Lonsdale Park : Sean Gaughan
Lots of construction, Fields look good. Sign down of Hein's Field. Graffiti on Handicap sign .
Batting cages still up.
Kids cant play basketball because cages are all around them.

Saylesville/ Arnold Park : Chris Cuttler
Alot of use, both looking really good. Graffiti is an issue. Chalk drawings are getting worse.
Scott reached out to principal, now principal will reach out to teachers. Playground looking options, ground covering. Talking to Eagle Scout, who could use some project ideas. Looking for baseball and softball to purchase their own light repairs.

Albion Park:
Finished the Park today. Off the field for Two weeks, to sit and Settle..

Fairlawn Park : Andrew Brusini
Park is in good shape. Homeless issue . Arguing with people. In field in tough shape, dead spots in Outfield. Neighbor Requesting a baby swing. Something Scott has to look into because ages for the Park.

Manville Park : Frank Morin

Very good shape , Very busy
Small vandalism on bench.
Fence looks worse . Main sign looking bad
Leg on picnic bench is broken
ones missing a seat, another is missing a board
All in rough shape
Pavement also looking rough

Lime Acres : Frank Kelly

Playground looks great. Front field very tough. Dead grass, worst ever seen. Other then that park looks great.

Quinville : William Goho

Every issue has been addressed . A few swings need to be re finished, and they can't wait. Trash barres always have something in it. Refinish grass in the Spring. Alot of Activity there. People are respectful while there, Well kept.

Publics Comment: To think about putting sprinklers in Lime Acres vs Spraying so often.

Motion To Adjourn @5:24