

November 30, 2011 Downs Dooley Park Committee Agenda

Village of Downs Parks Committee Mission– To maintain community parks and hold recreational activities which enriches the quality of life for residents and visitors alike, and preserves it for future generations.

For questions or to join the board: Contact Mary Goveia, Park Trustee
cell (309)212-0594

Attendees: Dave Bach, Linda Roberts, Angie McLaughlin, Marla Brotherton, Leigh Hayes, Mary Goveia

1. There were no meeting visitors.
2. The June 29, 2011, August 17, 2011, September 20, 2011, and October 24, 2011 minutes were reviewed and approved.
3. Budget review shows we are (\$9.71) in the hole, Mary has \$55 to deposit for reservation and Marla provided \$6.00 for selling a Fourth of July T-shirt. Marla will send Mary the name of the person that ordered the brick and is unreachable.

Old Business

4. Review 2012 calendar of events was held. Marla will add these items as placeholder event on the Facebook and send these dates to Mike James and Mike Sumner.
 1. January – Clean up day after tree is cut (Dave will email the committee for the date) and Fund raising ideas for 4th of July
 2. February – no events planned, notify school on the Work Day project
 3. March -
 4. April 7th - Easter breakfast 7-10 AM with Egg Hunt starting at 10 AM
 5. April 21st - Work day in the park (coordinate with Earth Day, possibly with the elementary school)
 6. May -
 7. June 2nd – Garage Sales and 4th of July Fundraising Breakfast 7-10 AM
 8. June 30th – Freedom Race
 9. July – 4th of July (Wed)
 10. August -
 11. September 15th – Community Breakfast 7-10 AM – plan Breakfast with Santa
 12. October - Halloween
 13. November 11- Veteran's Ceremony and Tea
 14. December - Christmas
5. Veteran's Tea was discussed, had a fair crowd and a good reception.
6. Breakfast with Santa was discussed to plan for next year.

New Business

7. The 4 new trees for Dooley Park have been planted (11/2) two oaks and two maples, removed the dead stump and Prochnows planted the tree, watered, mulched was completed by Dave Bach.
8. Kickapoo Park update-seeding was covered by Dave Bach.
-fencing for east/west entrance, Brian Fisher spoke with Dave. Chipping has been completed, Brush pile hasn't been done by Starks, as well as the hole that they made about a month ago, seeding is questionable and it is not clear if it is weeds or grass coming up.

- goal to finish the trail, mark/map it, January starts the conversation and planning of phase 1 to begin construction in 2012. Committee will do a walkthrough in April.
- start having conversations with groups that have expressed interest
- 9. Sign up for working donation booth or baking gingerbread cookies Thu – Sun was discussed. Arrive at 5:30 to 8 PM – Mary
- 10. A sign for the Dooley Park was discussed for planning in 2012.
- 11. Individual that provides meals for anyone that is 55 years or old or is handicapped has asked to use the pavilion as a distribution site for the meals to be picked up.
- 12. Marla dropped off money at the Village Hall (\$25 check & \$20.00 cash) (also a reminder to Mary). Linda Roberts added this after the meeting.
- 13. It was decided to cancel the December meeting.
- 14. Discuss changing meeting dates for 2012 and was decided to the last Monday of the month at 7 PM. Be sure to mark your calendars for 2012!
- 15. Next meeting is Jan 30, 2012 at 7 PM.
- 16. Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM.