

## VILLAGE OF SUSSEX SUSSEX, WISCONSIN

# Minutes of the Park & Recreation Board meeting held on May 18, 2021.

Meeting was called to order by Mike Waltz at 5:33 p.m.

1. <u>Roll call</u>

Members Present: Nadine Coenen, Mike Waltz, Chuck Vojtas, Trustee Ron Wells, Chris Kostka

Members Excused: Kelly Tetting, Chairman Bob Fourness

Village Board Present: President Anthony LeDonne

Staff Present: Parks and Recreation Director, Halie Dobbeck; Administrative Services Director, Sam Liebert; Assistant Village Administrator Kelsey McElroy-Anderson

# 2. Prides Crossing Neighborhood Survey Results & Neighborhood Comment

Dobbeck explained the results of the survey and then received comments from citizens. Summary of comments from residents is below:

## **Greg Mews**

## N70W23514 Prides Road

-Happy with the survey results; cautious about the QR fitness trail; no parking lot; add a backdrop for basketball, expand woods

## **Bill Lawler**

# N70W23381 Prides Road

-No Fitness on the trail; trail should be just walking, benches, and mulch; love the nature and undergrowth of the woods.

# Daniele Badalamente

# N69W23425 Salem Ct W

-No off street parking; existing playground is fine; yes to a QR code fitness trail

# Paul Piering

# N69W23478 Donna Drive

-Love that this is a climax hardwood community; need to take down dead trees in woods; we lost biological diversity with the Ancient Oaks subdivision and can't go back from any additional change to the woods; we could remove invasive species and clear brush from woods

## Jonathan & Erin Mueller

## N70W23457 Prides Road

-There are no other parks likes Prides in Sussex so we should preserve this forest and not change, please no parking lot, there used to be exercise equipment at Prides and no

one used it; walking trail sounds good; develop Mapleway Park instead of this park; people use baseball backstop, someone uses open field every day, no huge massive updates to the park

## **Kristin Kemper**

#### N70W23446 Prides Road

-Caution against proposed layout; resurface basketball court; keep playground in same spot; preserve area as much as possible; no parking lot; use money for more trees

# Katherine Tackes

## N70W23627 Prides Road

-Green space is really important; more mulch on trails; no parking lot; upgrade playground; fix baseball backstop; add more trees

## Lisa Mair

## W234N7062 Prairie Lane

-Basketball court and open field are used every day, supports walking trail, update the playground-no multch, use poured in place surfacing

#### **Kyle Falvey**

## W234N7103 Flintlock Court

-Asked the board what will determine what happens with these plans (Wells said that they want to reflect the communities wants in the park), mulch the walking trail, use funds to reforest natural areas, Ancient Oaks development changed the ecosystem, no parking lot, should schedule a woods cleanup day for the community or a tree planting day

## **Greg Robb**

#### W242N6296 Oak Drive

-Asked the board to listen to these people more than they listened with Pickleball because the board shot down the plan.

**Coenen** shared that none of these plans have been finalized and that no decisions have been made. She thanked the residents for sharing their thoughts.

## **Kristina Adkins**

#### N68W23473 Maize Ct

-There are bees in the trees in the woods, lots of dead trees, keep this in mind with the trail that there are foxes and fawns, crossing of the street for kids is dangerous

#### 3. <u>Meeting Minutes</u>

A motion by Coenen; Seconded by Vojtas to approve the minutes from the April 20, 2021 meeting as presented. Motion Carried 5-0

#### <u>Comments from Citizens Present</u> None

#### None

## 5. Park & Recreation Director's Report

Dobbeck shared the baseball field residency percentages with the board, as was requested by Waltz at the April meeting. Rockathon is Tuesday 5/25. Cruise night is June 17 and in need of parking volunteers, we will do the same cruise as 2020 but end at the Civic Center for the party. Arbor Day event was successful; we gave away 300 trees to the community.

## 6. Topics for Future Agenda Items

Prides Neighborhood Meeting Recap Lannon Stone Sledding Hill Park Proposal Dog Park Update

# 7. Adjournment

A motion by Vojtas; Seconded by Kostka to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

Motion Carried 5-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Halie Dobbeck Parks & Recreation Director