

Thurston Park Committee
Minutes of September 15, 2022

In Attendance: Steve Nelson, Sonia Nelson, Trevy Bumps and Jen Smith

Call to order 6:34 pm

The meeting was held at Thurston Park. The meeting was short because it was getting dark.

The primary purpose of the meeting was to discuss our requests for the LWCF grant, 2023-2024 TIF funding, and the town budget for 2023-2024.

With respect to the LWCF we have preliminarily requested \$450,000. These monies will be used to research and move the South Entrance of the park away from abutters and also to arrange for purchase and lease of the hill portion of Yorktown Road from Albion and to pave that section. Jen Smith completed the application for a pre-approval site inspection but has not heard anything yet regarding a site visit.

TIF applications are due on December 9, 2022. Due to overruns on projects in previous years some of our requests were not able to be purchased or completed. We are planning to request these projects again this year. These include the kiosks, trail maps and signs, and trail cameras. We will work on getting new estimates for these items. We would like to request funding to develop the Townline Trail. This will require mini excavator work, bridging, tree cutting, and gravel. Steve will work on getting estimates for this work. Finally, we would like to purchase a 4x4 with a dump bed that will be used for towing the bush hog and hauling gravel, brush, etc., as needed in repairing and maintaining trails.

We plan to keep our budget request similar to 2022-2023 to include funding for grading the hill and cleaning supplies and paper products for the restrooms.

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, September 15, 2022, at 6:30 PM at the portable building at the Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanette "Jen" Smith