

Thurston Park Committee  
Minutes of October 17, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm

In Attendance: Steve Nelson, Sonia Nelson, Scott Monroe and Jen Smith

The minutes of the September 19, 2024 meeting were approved unanimously.

The purpose of the meeting was to finalize the plans for the Thurston Park 3-miler and Fun Run. We will start the run at 2:00 PM. Everyone should be at the park by 1:00 pm for set up. We reviewed the course that Scott Monroe drew up. He has also made some arrow signs to be placed at key intersections. We plan to utilize volunteers at intersections as well. We discussed prizes. We decided to try to get some gift cards from local businesses. Suggestions for gift cards included Hannaford, Irving/Circle K, MJEK, and Dunkin Donuts. Jen will see if we can get water donated by Pine State. We will also award T-shirts. As for snacks we discussed fruit and sweet snacks such as cookies or cupcakes. If it is cold we could have a fire going and offer S'mores as well. We have medals for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in men and women. We will award a first place for male and female in the fun run as well. We also have participation medals for all runners.

Steve Nelson did not have anything new to report on the FEMA funds. It is not clear whether we will be getting funds or not.

We scheduled the Fall Work Day in the park for Sunday, November 17, 2024. The new trail markers will be here in plenty of time for that and we may even have the new picnic tables and benches!

Finally, we discussed the south entrance again. We made some adjustments to the letter Jen had drafted and Jen will send it out.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanette "Jen" Smith