

1.24.22 6pm Present: in person: Leslie, Christa, Hilary, Dave
on zoom: John Freitag, Jason, left at 7pm

Agenda:

- Pocket Park warning/discussion
 - Plan: Hire a paid gardener who will work with Barbara and Wally Smith as they phase out over the next few years to learn the steps required to maintain the pocket park. The gardener, with assistance as needed from the rec board, will organize work days and volunteer workers, and ensure proper day to day maintenance and long term management of the pocket park area.
 - not an employee - contractor who needs their own liability insurance
 - rec board will set benchmarks for progress
 - Barbara Smith can assist with a gradual transition for benchmarks and list of items that need to be accomplished
- Job description- specifics to be determined after Article is approved
 - Organize volunteer work days
 - Get the work done
 - manage volunteers
 - Meet benchmarks
 - spring/fall cleanup
 - minimum requirements (education, certification)
 - insurance required
 - work with Barbara Smith to create a written “management” guide for work that needs to be done
- how will the funds be maintained
 - Rec Board will set a budget limit and review expenses at monthly meetings, gardner should attend when in season
 - Some funds for lower-skilled maintenance (mowing, etc)
- Town Communication
 - Leslie will post the history and plan info to list serv once the town report is available, a few times, and also will remind folks they can ask questions at our next meeting on 2/15
- Open Gym
 - Christa will talk to Newton about times for open gym soccer/bball
 - Specify ages and expectations on any listserv post
- Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm