

**Goshen Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes**  
**January 17, 2023, 6:30 PM**  
**Community Building**

Review and Approval of Agenda

Review and Adoption of Minutes

- Amendment to November minutes where Chuck Jacobus to request that the city attorney, Brian Hogue, advise the Commission to requirements for Quorum prior to amendment to Ordinance 175

Update of Regional Walk/Bike Plan

- Updated and prepared to send to Arkansas Regional Planning Commission

Revisions to Ordinance 175

- Review of 2022 Amendment
- Updates to amendment include addition of 2 more individuals to the commission. This would also include a potential reappointment of Adam Walker to the commission for a total of 3 individuals.
- Proposed 2023 Amendments
- Discussion to amend regarding identification of location of meeting as well as the date of the meeting, moving it from the 3rd Tuesday to the 1st Tuesday of the month, following the Planning Commission Meeting, starting at 630pm. All members of the commission are in agreement to this proposed change.

Acquisition of Parcel # 770-17551-000, 19.3 acres, in Mill Branch Park

- Review of Outdoor Grant Requirements
- Need to hold a project management workshop to be held at our convenience. Ken Smith has contacted the state outlining that we are ready for this. Meeting would be held in Goshen where they would also tour the park.
- John Beneke spoke that a formal appraisal is required to meet the standards - USPAP license individual to determine the value. He recommends finding an appraiser to meet these needs.
- Survey of Property
- Max Poye stated that Cagle has done a previous survey of the Mill Branch property previously. Recommendation from them for potential appraisers who they've worked with previously.
- Appraisal of Property
- To potentially be done in conjunction with a surveyor.

**Finalization of FUN Park Grant**

- **Copies of canceled checks, invoice, photographs, and letter to state - John Beneke offered to complete the project.**

#### Planning for Highway Department TAP Grant

- January ARDOT Grants Meeting
- Workshop scheduled for January 24th @9am virtually. This meeting will cover the elements and process of the TAP Grant.
- Review of Proposed TAP Project
- Luke Jost, with Crafton Tull, has served as our engineer on this project. He outlined the project of placing a 10-12' wide path with a culvert over the stream and to the chicken house. The contract includes the process up to the bidding portion of the project. Crafton Tull can provide construction oversight on the project. The City Attorney may have to look at the city's ability to amend this contract to allow that versus requiring an RFP/RFQ for these services.
- Amendments to TAP Project

#### Review of Quail Forever Proposal – Warm Season Grasses Restoration

- Katrina Sims outlined that the Quail Forever Grant consists of more of a wildflower mixture as opposed to a warm season grass mixture. The city would have to purchase that mixture on their own as it would not be part of the grant program.
- Ken Smith proposes to coordinate with Quail Forever to merge the two programs together to achieve the restoration and rehabilitation of a native wildlife habitat.

#### RFQ for Hay Mowing/Baling in Mill Branch Park/Community Building

- Review RFQ for Additional Changes
- Recommendation for 3 years with additional 3 year option. 30 days notice to the public for request.
- Questions from the public arose if the payment of hay in exchange for services was equal regarding the value of hay bales.

#### Public Input

None