

**TOWN OF NORTH CASTLE
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD ("PRAB")
Minutes of December 3, 2019 Meeting**

In Attendance: Karl Hinrichs, Brendan Molloy, Frank Lattarulo, Norma Hill, Dan Zenkel, Steve D'Angelo, Todd Orlowski, Jennifer Giusti, Lisa Larsen
Beautification Committee Members: Angela Monforte, Carol Bidjarano, Nancy Battistelli, Kay Anderson, Barbara DiGiacinto

Absent: Lois Mallin

Minutes of the November 12, 2019 meeting were accepted and approved.

Statue – Beautification Committee: The Beautification Committee conducted a presentation on a sculpture they would like to purchase for the front of the North Castle Community Center & Library. The cost of the piece is \$5,200 plus an additional \$390 for brackets. The Beautification Committee plans to pay for the sculpture using funds from their approved budget and the Parks Department will be responsible for the install - size is 41L x 40H x 18D. The PRAB passed a resolution recommending the Town support the sculpture purchase and its location in front of the community center.

Wampus Bridges Update: The south bridge was installed and completed in time for Frosty Day. The smaller bridge will be completed in-house. Superintendent Orlowski will work with the Foreman to determine a plan for the project. Foreman Foley is confident that his parks staff can handle renovations for the smaller bridge.

Wampus Park South: Superintendent Orlowski and Chairman Hinrichs discussed a 5-year plan. This plan will phase in improvements to the park property over the next few years. Chairman Hinrichs believes the plan should enable the project to keep moving ahead rather than stalling out (handout distributed). The first year would be to remove trees and foliage from brook banks, and to plant ground cover to protect banks against erosion. Superintendent Orlowski will be meeting with a SaveATree representative to discuss the technical specifications for improving the area and to establish an estimated cost. He will also verify status of existing permits. The goal will be to finalize the Bid before the January 2020 PRAB meeting.

CXT Bathrooms for Community Park: A new location for the building could be where the small playground currently is located. This playground would need to be demolished. Soil testing this alternate location would have to be completed. Utilities are in close proximity to link to the main line. Superintendent Orlowski stated there must be a site plan for when the building arrives. Winter is a good time because the ground will be hard.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Orlowski gave a tally of the current benches within the parks. He will be able to recommend suitable locations to the PRAB as memorial applications are submitted. No other items to report.

Frank Lattarulo announced that although his term on the PRAB expires 12/13/2021, he will not be returning in 2020. Additionally, this is Steve D'Angelo's last meeting as Liaison.

The meeting was closed and adjourned at 7:15PM.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 1/7 at 6:15PM