

VILLAGE OF NEW GLARUS/TOWN OF NEW GLARUS
JOINT PARKS COMMITTEE
April 10, 2014

Chairman Greg Thoemke called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Town members present: Harry Pulliam, Chris Reis and Andy Elkins and Dana Emmerton at 7:20 p.m. Village members present: Greg Thoemke, Mark Janowiak and Joan Betz. Also Present: Village Administrator Nicholas Owen.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Joan Betz, second by Mark Janowiak to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of the 1/9/14 Meeting: Motion by Harry Pulliam to approve the minutes of the 1/9/14 meeting, second by Mark Janowiak. Motion carried.

Public comments: No public comments.

Update/Discussion: Joint Dog Park: Greg Thoemke will reconnect with Chris Narveson on drafting the joint press release seeking interest in funding a dog park.

Update on Hoesly Pond: The FFA Alumni are working on submitting a Stewardship Grant to the state for improvements to the pond property including a shelter, fishing pier and improved parking.

Update/Discussion: Cross Country Ski Trails: Harry Pulliam stated that the committee is still contacting property owners regarding easements for trails along the streams.

Discuss Brain Storming Session for Future Projects: The committee discussed the potential for river walks connecting the Village and Town. A majority of the discussion focused on a potential river walk connecting the Village with Valle Tell Park. Issues discussed included a bridge crossing the stream, crossing STH 69 and potential easements through properties for access. Administrator Owen will provide information from a previous plan for a similar trail and a map of the area for the next meeting. (Greg Thoemke left the meeting at 6:52 p.m.)

Town/Village Parks Updates

Town: Report on Spring Workshop, 2014 Tree Sales, Trails: The Town Parks spring workshop will be on April 27th, the tree sale is on May 3rd in the Town Hall Parking lot. Early next week the prairie enthusiasts will be conducting a controlled burn at the Bluebird Ridge Park and next weekend volunteers will be removing box elder trees from the property.

Village: Arbor Day Tree Planting: The Village Arbor Day planting will take place on Friday May 2nd.

Schedule Next Meeting and Agenda Items: Next meeting will be Thursday July 10th at Town Hall at 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion by Andy Elkins to adjourn, second by Joan Betz. Motion carried. Time: 7:12 p.m.

Nicholas Owen, Administrator