

# Town of New Chicago

## Parks Board Meeting Agenda

**DATE:** 2/6/2024

**Start Meeting:** 6:00pm

**Roll Call:**

Joe Bachman Present

Morgan McCabe Present

Tony Martin Present

Trilaina Bachman Present

Steve Bucko (School Board Liaison)

Dave Anderson (Council Member) Present

**Minutes:** January Meeting Minutes Morgan McCabe made the motion to accept, Tony Martin seconded, all aye

**Ordinance:** None

**Public Hearing for CDBG Funds:**

No public present.

**Old Business:**

- County Grant for Playground Equipment
  - Morgan McCabe and Joe Bachman met with the people from the county office. They will meet again on March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
  - Mulch for the playground must be Pour and Play.
  - About \$37,506 to use.
- New Playground Equipment
  - Miller company can order and install the equipment we want. It needs to be asked if they can do Pour and Play.
  - BCI Burke has a multipurpose swing. Other companies have swings wheelchairs to roll on and lock into.
  - Sensory equipment.
- Little Library Box

- Measurements need to be taken so another can be built.
- Farmer's Market/Food Trucks
  - Joe Bachman to go to Cleveland Cliffs food truck area to see if any are interested.
  - Ask food trucks at Cleveland Cliffs what they usually pay to be at an event
  - Combine food truck and farmers' market events
    - Morgan made the motion to vote, Joe seconded the motion, all aye
    - Reorganize the dates of the combined event
      - First and third Sundays of the month
- Walking Trail
  - Joe will ask if the three parcels labeled Lake Station on the Arc GIS map are deeded to Lake Station or New Chicago. Will need something in writing allowing us to use the land as we wish before proceeding with this item.
  - DNR needs to be contacted to see if this area is considered a wetland.
  - Property lines will need to be found
    - Abonmarche plat pricing, and others needed.

**New Business:**

- Donation Letters
  - Plans to send donations to candidates running for office in upcoming elections.
- Easter
  - Morgan got totals for Easter eggs needed
    - 1000 candy prefilled
    - 1500 empty eggs
    - 500 toy prefilled eggs
  - Eggs to come from Sunny Bunny Company
- Rummage in the Park
  - May 11, with May 12 as a rain day for spring
  - September 14, with September 15 as a rain day for fall

- Gary Shakes play Saturday, July 27, 2024 at 7 pm.
- Brush against the fence at the park is a hazard. Ask Sue Pelfry to speak to the landowner.
  - That corner will need to have the poison ivy remediated.
- April 1, 2024 will open the season for pavilion rentals.

**Legal Reports: Feeding of Wildlife Ordinance**

- Given to Lloyd to look at.

**Announcements:**

**Other Business:**

- Lunch and Learn planned to return in summer
  - 6 weeks
  - See if Legacy and Centier bank will donate money.
  - Ask about the town policies about hiring someone or providing a stipend to open and close the park for Lunch and Learn.

**Open Forum for community (3 mins per person):**

**Comments from Board Members:**

**Adjournment:**

Trilaina Bachman made the motion to adjourn, and Tony Marting seconded the motion.