

Town Of Cortland
Town hall
59 S. Somonauk Road
Cortland, IL 60112
Park Advisory Committee
Minutes
April 10, 2024
6:30 p.m.

Call to Order / Roll Call

Committee Chair Ms. Fioretto called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. Ms. Fioretto called the roll call. Shown as present Committee Members Michelle Bergeson, Mariann Kaminski, and Curtis Kouba, Committee members Liz Botts, Trent Moser, Angel Mendez, and Josh Orr were absent. Quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda

Ms. Bergeson moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Kouba. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Consent Agenda

Chair Fioretto read the Consent Agenda into the record. Approve the minutes of March 12, 2024. Ms. Botts moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Ms. Bergeson. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Hearing of Staff/Citizens

No staff or citizens wished to speak.

New Business

Discussion of the Park Program.

The committee discussed a price for benches for the park bench program. A price was determined, and all were in favor of the set price. The committee also talked about where to place park benches. The committee agreed to visit the current parks before the next meeting to discuss the placement of benches. Chair Fioretto suggested we should have maps drawn up for bench placement for the next meeting. The committee also discussed ideas for the paperwork for bench purchases.

Discussion of Top Name Suggestions

Chair Fioretto presented the board with the top voted-name suggestions to be brought to the mayor. The top survey suggestions from the committee members were: Dragon's Tail Park, Spur Line Park, Legacy Park, Founders Park, Walnut Park, Ohio Grove Park, Richland Park, Ole Red Barn Park, Grist Mill Park, and Prairieview Park. Chair Fioretto said she would forward these suggestions to the mayor, with the ideas behind the names.

Future of Cortland Community Parks

Mr. Kouba brought up the community wanting a dog park. There was discussion on where there might be places in town to do something like that. Chair Fioretto mentioned the concern of insurance costs for Cortland to have a dog park and questioned how it would be monitored. Mr. Kouba said he would reach out to Sycamore and see what information he could find since they have a park. The committee felt that the subject was worth researching since people in the town are interested in a dog park. The committee also talked about having future soccer fields. More discussion needs to be had on where the best location would be.

Chair Fioretto asked if there was anything else, anyone would like to discuss. Everyone felt there was nothing to discuss. The next meeting will be held on May 14th.

Adjournment

Mr. Kouba moved to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Bergeson. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Charmaine Fioretto
Cortland Town Trustee
Cortland Advisory Committee Chair