

Bristol Park Board Report - July 1, 2025

Attended: Mikel Ropp, Scott Dreamer, Andrew Medford, Linda Powell, RoseMary McDaniel, Jill Swartz, Mike Yoder, Reagan (Andrew's Daughter).

Mikel Ropp made motion to accept previous minutes, as printed, Scott seconded, and Minutes Approved.

Jill's report: Summer Fest program put on by the Library was successful. The foot traffic was down because of the weather.

Movie night was successful. It was sponsored by the Town of Bristol and Bristol on the River with proceeds to go to the Opera House for repairs from water damage. Corndogs were sold, and there were activities for the kids. The movie was The Lorax and the Lorax was there in person.

Community Garden water bill. It was decided that Mikel would go to the town board and ask if it would be willing to pay half the water bill for the garden for this year, due to an oversight - it was not budgeted in the park budget. The Park Board will make sure that this cost will be in the next year's budget.

Scott moved and Andrew seconded that if the town would not help, we would pay the whole bill.

Park rental: Cummins and Congdon park rental agreements do not have any penalty for cancellations. Scott moved to keep \$15 from rental if there is a cancellation. Mikel amended his motion for the administration staff to use their discretion in this matter. Motion passed.

Mike Yoder Report - Mike presented a concept where the park board could purchase wooden chairs and tables for the purpose of renting them out to people who are renting one of our pavilions. This will be discussed at the next park board meeting when we have more details.

Congdon Park: The kayak launch needs to have the pole replaced so that people cannot back their boats down the kayak launch.

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Homecoming and Corn Dog Festival both want the Kayak launch to be closed for their events. It was moved by Scott and seconded by Andrew to close the Kayak launch for both events.

Cummins Park: Construction on the new basketball court will be starting soon.

Linda said she had 2 sails that she would donate to the park for use to shade a couple of picnic tables or benches.

Scott asked Mike to have a talk with the director of the Bristol Museum to see if the bathrooms and drinking fountain could be used by Park visitors.

New parking ideas for Cummins Park were discussed.
Also the climbing structure will remain where it is in it's current spot, and the swing set will be moved down between the exercise equipment.

Hermance Park: Eric is working to get all the supplies necessary to keep the pavilion clean and paper products stocked.

Dutch Cleaning did a thorough cleaning last week, and we will have them do semi annual cleaning of the pavilion.

Memorial Park: The tree on the property donated to the Town will be removed next Tuesday for the sum of \$3,000.00. They will be removing the stump and reseeding the area with grass seed.

Next meeting: Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2025 at a 6:30 pm at the Town Hall.
Visitors are welcome.