April 1, 2025 Park Board Meeting

Attending: Scott Dreamer, Andrew Medford, Linda Powell, Mike Ropp, Jill Swartz, Nik Kantz, Eric Funkhouser, Seanna Smartt. (Children's Coordinator Bristol Library.) Secretary, RoseMary McDaniel.

January and March minutes were approved.

Visitors: Seanna of the Bristol Library gave a updated report on the Library Bristol Summer Fest, hosted by the Bristol Library and the Bristol Parks.

This event will be on June 14, 2025 at Congdon and Cummins Parks. She estimated that there would be about 600 people or more attending the event. The event application for the Library was approved.

Eric Funkhouser, Bristol Street Superintendent talked about concrete picnic tables for Congdon Park. There was a discussion on where to place these tables and how many to order. It was decided to put them on concrete slabs. More discussion at the next Park Board meeting.

Storm damage from March 30th to the trees in the park needs to be cleaned up. There was no other damage except the branches are down.

Eric talked about Cummins Park Parking. If the rope climbing and swings were moved, the parking could be expanded to at least 10 to 12 spaces.

Eric is working on replacing mulch in the playground areas with matts. But this has proved to be very expensive with mats costing \$2500 each. After more discussion, mulch seemed like a better option. Until we decide where the playground equipment in Cummins park will be moved to, we will not make a decision about the mulch at this time.

Basketball court: to redo the basketball court in asphalt would be about \$20,000. In concrete, it would be about \$30,000. More discussion needed.

Pickle ball nets are now up, and the courts are all cleaned up. The App is up and running.

There was ice damage to the handicapped launch, and Eric is looking into repairs for that.

There was more discussion on Congdon Park kayak launch. It was felt that the slope was still too steep, but waiting to see if more erosion might occur.

Eric said they used the fire department cleaning machine to clean the floors at Hermance Park. However, the stains still remained on the floor. Nik said the Fire Department had another machine that would perhaps clean the spots, and they would be happy to let us use the machine.

Jill suggested that we put together a Bristol Parks Brochure for public use. Mary Ann Martin was requesting more flowers down in Congdon Park.

Next meeting will be May 5, 2025 in the Town Hall. Guests are welcome.

Recording Secretary, RoseMary McDaniel