

**Town of Liberty Grove**  
**Minutes of the Parks & Property meeting on March 12, 2024**

**Agenda (AMENDED to add item# 7):**

1. Call to order
2. Declaration of Quorum
3. Approve Agenda
4. Approve minutes from 2/13/24
5. Public input
6. Status of current projects:
  - a. Disc Golf Course
  - b. Wind Phone at Isle View
  - c. Mariner Park
  - d. Boat Washing Station
7. Use of car charging station at Gills Rock Maritime Museum
8. Discussion of Future Projects
9. Correspondence
10. Future meeting date(s)
11. Adjourn

Chairman Ward called the meeting to order at 9:00am. Committee members Sylvann Welcome and Hope Bogenschutz were present. Mike Repp and Donna Scattergood were excused absent. Clerk/Treasurer Pamela Donart-Welcome, and one member of the public were also in attendance

**Ward moved, Welcome seconded** to approve the amended agenda as posted. **Carried 3 - 0**

**Ward moved, Bogenschutz seconded** to approve the 2/13/24 minutes as presented. **Carried 3 - 0**

**Public input:** Paul Schwengel asked to speak on item# 7.

Ward noted that the Town Crew has been replacing picnic tables in the Parks, and the water levels are noticeably low. Regarding the Disc Golf Course, the Town crew is still waiting for the local contact person to plot out the course prior to installing the equipment in the Gills Rock park. Welcome will reach out to him again. Regarding the Wind Phone, Ward met with Mr Mellen a couple of weeks ago, and noted there appears to be room on the south end of Isle View park for installation of the Wind Phone stand and bench. After confirming the property line to meet required set-backs, as well as acquire sign verbiage from the Health Dept for posting a contact for help with grief, installation can take place. The Town board did move on the Parks recommendation for changes to the Ayres plan and environmental study. We are awaiting reply from Ayres, and Ward noted part of moving forward with the Phase 2 environmental study is hearing back from the State on possible funds to help with the cost of removing the buildings. An update on the boat washing station will wait for a future meeting when Mike Repp is in attendance.

Paul Schwengel of 824 Top of the Thumb Ln noted he doesn't see many folks using the car charging station when he passes by and wants to know if it is necessary to have one there.

Welcome, who worked at the museum between 10am-5pm, noted the station gets constant use during the season, and thinks there should be a time limit sign on the station to prevent folks from plugging in, and leaving for the day while others wait to use it. The committee will investigate how long it takes to charge a car, so we can narrow down a time limit for signage.

Future Projects to consider: Possibly: having a grill below Grand View; improving access to the Mink River Estuary from Hwy NP; adding signs or a kiosk to explain importance of natural areas along the Mink River; having educational nature field trips for school-age children; use of former Val-A property for food trucks; Garrett Bay boat launch costs; signage for Mariner Park explaining the history of commercial fishing and the escarpment; picnic tables at Hotz; upgrading the swings at Sand Bay.

Clerk Donart-Welcome noted the Shepherd of the Bay church offered their outdoor grounds and indoor spaces for community use; Bridenhagen Landscaping gave the Town a proposal to maintain Town Parks previously done by The Garden Lady, Beth Coleman. Mickie Rasch has requested removing the Women's Center signs from the Ellison Bay Community Center.

**Future Meeting(s):** The next meeting date/time was scheduled for April 9,2024 at 9:00am.

**Welcome moved, Bogenshutz seconded** to adjourn at 10:06am. **Carried 3 - 0**

Respectfully submitted,  
Pamela Donart-Welcome, Clerk/Treasurer  
Approved 4/9/24