**TOWN OF SOMERS**

**SOMERS PARK COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**1/20/14**

**Call To Order**

6:02 Meeting was called to order with Tim Fulton, Mary Lichter, Supervisor Judy Schantek, Dan Meyer, Tori Graham, Letitia Short, Park Consultant Tom Maurer, & Mark Pellicori present.

**Motion to Approve Minutes**

Mary Lichter made a motion to approve last month’s minutes after a correction was noted and will be amended by the secretary. Tori Graham seconded the motion with all approving.

**Citizen’s Comments**

Ron Grimes brought up a conversation that was had at the last town meeting. Apparently there was a side conversation regarding a suggestion to hold off on some work that was approved to be done in and around Neumiller Park. He was opposed to this and was told that given the plan had already been approved by the board, the idea was moot.

**Upcoming Projects**

No other spring projects are planned at this time other than the ones proposed in this writing

**VFW Walkway Update**

George Stoner is currently on vacation; thus updates on the VFW walkway and brick project will be known at next month’s meeting. Supervisor Schantek stated that there is a designated account for the project.

**Playground Equipment Update**

Letitia Short reported that she has been working with three playground equipment companies. The committee will make its final decision after seeing what packages are presented. Once there is a recommendation, Letitia will present it to the board at their next meeting. Letitia stated that the earlier an order can be made, the more economical they will be. Sup. Schantek stated that there is $94,282.82 in impact fee money to cover expenses. Facilities will be assisting the company that receives the contract.

**Ho-Chunk Property**

Supervisor Schantek will bring up to subject of releasing the Ho-Chunk property to Kenosha County Park during the next town meeting.

**Vending Machines for Recreation Programs**

George Stoner was unavailable to update the committee on bringing vending machines to Somers Town Hall Park.

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**Pike River Reclamation**

Tim Fulton again stated that the EPA has recognized and supports the Pike River Reclamation project. He continued to say that the Lake Michigan Grant program is at the end of its cycle and is looking for more grants to be written. It would be in the town’s best interest to look for someone to write grants for parks as well as other areas that need to be enhanced and expanded in the Town of Somers.

**Parks Committee Members**

Somers Chairmen Ben Harbach requested committee members Tim Fulton, Joe Smith, and Mark Pellicori continue working with Somers Parks. Tim and Mark accepted the position for another three years; however Joe Smith was out of town.

**New Business**

No additional comments.

**Adjournment**

7:08 Letitia Short made the motion to adjourn, was seconded by Tori Graham and approved by all.

 Submitted by Mark Pellicori