Park Board Meeting -8/12/2019

In attendance – Park Board Members Jim Ganschow, Mary Ganschow, Amanda Wojasinski, and Melinda Nagle, and Councilwoman and Council President Jennifer Heath

- Steve Dick needs 4 sets of keys for the dog park
 - o Will open and close
 - o Each office needs a set for ease
 - o Town Hall should also have a set
- Signs are at the town hall
 - o Need installed by Street Department before grand opening
 - o One set on each side for large and small
- Would like to add a gate (even if two poles and a chain) as soon as possible and look into water options
- Jeff Bruder and Street Department committed to Monday September 2nd to have all benches, picnic tables, signs and cans installed.
- Dog Park needs to have the weeds trimmed back per the Park Board and Jennifer Heath
 - o Access to park from parking lot and edging around the fence
- Parkboard member Melinda Nagle will possibly be donating a tree for grand opening if the weather cooperates and she can find one
- There will be no Fall Festival this year
 - Will try to use sponsors from years past to support the Dog Park Grand Opening
- Dog Park Opening will either be September 7th or 8th
 - Will have specific date and time by the council meeting on August 20th
 - o Will be a two hour event
- Member Mary Ganschow will contact Big R and Little Caesars
- Member Melinda Nagle with contact Kabelins Dogs for Dollars
- Member Amanda Wojasinksi will reach out to the Beacher, the News Dispatch and Laporte County Life for advertising/opening as well as Dr Kora
- Member Jim Ganschow will talk to Michiana Humane Society, Brandt's, and PetSmart
- It was discussed that we reach out to Marshall Dick about the K9 show we had last year, but since there will be other dogs there, it probably doesn't make sense from a safety perspective.
- Jennifer Heath will post to Nextdoor and Amanda will reach out to Joshleen for Facebook
- Would like a table at the opening for patrons to sign up for and apply for dog park tags
 - o Would the clerk be necessary?
- Council there as well for Ribbon Cutting as well as MS4