

**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM.**

**Roll Call – In Attendance – Paul Lowe Kim St. Clair, Ed Harlan,  
Mike Nunley, Bo Coconis, and Greg Gibson**

**Paul Lowe starts out with a speech recognizing how excited he is for the park and how important it is that we take the right steps at achieving our overall goal. He mentioned that he had been talking with Bo about how they were surprised at how many people actually visit the park. The old pool area has been taken out by a couple of businesses that helped us. We have already accomplished around a 20-30,000 dollar boost to get this project started. Our main priority is getting some dirt, so we can get it patted down and seeded with the site ready. We have an opportunity to bid on an online auction for a toy at the Roseville Community School. Bo has called and talked to the people who put the toy in, Gametime. I appreciate the help so much as we all work full-time jobs. Taylor has helped me a lot and I even took Danny all the way out to look at the unit. We need to figure out how easy it would be to get the thing out of the ground. Bo found out that the unit was installed 4 years ago, for around \$23,000 and some change. That does not include the surround apparatus, that has a handicap entrance.. it seems like we can take it out easily. We do not want to take it out if we are going to damage it. That is the question Bo helped me answer today. There are a lot of objects included in this. We are going to save a lot of money if we can get this thing. I sent my boy out to dig a post around it, there are 6 inches of rubber, 6 inches of dirt, and maybe 6 inches of concrete. Its about 3 foot in the ground. It will take some tools and multiple screwdrivers. We may be able to savage the poles. The only thing we can do is try. As for the auction I signed up online. There are several rules we will have to follow. We are going to bid on the toy, the apparatus, and the handicap ramp. There is also a 1000 KG bag we could potentially buy also.. We do not need the fence, but the important thing is that the big toy is only 1650 right now. We obviously have 1 or more parties interested. We need to make some decisions, are we going to go for it as a Village and bid on this? What is the limit? Most of these parts are available to order.**

**Bo says when he called and talked to the guy from Playcore. The same people installed the Maysville Schools new playgrounds. The company that does the install, they are out of alliance. They would have the capability of tearing it out and relocating it here. It would be around \$8,000.00. It will be closer to \$13,000.00 to tear it out reinstall, and bring it up to code. I figured we could take the apparatus apart and use our own posts. We can use this unit for 3-5 year olds and getting a big toy later that's for older kids. There are only a few spots that can be cleaned up. It is regularly on their website for \$22,204. It is marked down to \$14,433.00. With the \$8,000.00 install. They did Cambridge City Schools as well.**

**Paul says he got an estimate from Tanner Whetstone for \$2500.00. He thinks he can do it without breaking it. Honestly, it is not that complicated. I think if we can dedicate our staff, but if we don't get it, at least we tried. We have already done the track, we have done the dog trail. Everything is going to look beautiful. Chris Kerby says we do not have anything in the Park Fund right now. We just need a number.**

**Bo reiterates that we need to make a decision on bidding on the toy. We can get a 20% discount ordering brand new. Greg said we should have an architectural plan. We do not want to put things in the place. Where are we going to store it? Paul and Bo agreed they can store it. This just a small part of the plan to get the project started.**

**Taylor brought up the guy doing the memorial in front of the FD. His name is Shane Finney. He is going to come to the park, to give us a quote on the enclosed infant area. Figured he is local maybe we can try something with him. Paul mentioned having butterfly plants to add. How much are we going to bid for? Taylor is the trigger person. She can register and we can bid. Rob suggests if we get the unit we need to pay for the spare parts in advance.**

**Paul made a motion to put a max bid of \$4,000.00 to the playground equipment through Koehler Auction. Lowe – yea, St. Clair – yea, Harlan – yea, Nunley - yea, and Gibson - yea. Motion Carried.**

**ADJOURN**

**Paul moved to adjourn, seconded by Ed. Mayor Lloyd asked all to vote by stating I. All did. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:16 PM.**

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**Barbara Lloyd - Mayor**

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**Taylor Bennett – Clerk**