

Jamestown Charter Township Park Planning Committee Meeting Unofficial Minutes for August 8, 2024

Jim Ondersma called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Tim Schollaart, Mark Pater, Janet Oskin, Leslie Kwiatkowski, Gail Altman, Jim Ondersma, Jim Miedema, Laurie Van Haitsma, Aaron Van Proyen

A motion was made by Gail Altman, supported by Leslie Kwiatkowski, to approve the March 23, 2023 minutes. The motion passed.

Jim Ondersma asked Laurie Van Haitsma, Supervisor, to give an update on the Jamestown Community Park project. She presented a breakdown of the three bids received for Phase II of the park. which would include the parking lot, sidewalks, preparation for the playground areas and the community building. Our park account currently has 1.5 million and all three bids would put us over the 1.5 million after accounting for engineering fees and possible overages. The committee recommended that we award the Phase II bid to Bultsma Construction for \$564,929.48 which does not include the community building. The completion date would be November 1, 2024.

The committee agreed to rebid the community building separately and see if it would be more affordable outside of a general contractor bid. The community building would most likely be constructed in the spring of 2025.

Laurie Van Haitsma presented a fundraising brochure that could be used to solicit donors for park amenities for which we do not have funds. It was decided that the committee should meet in September to finalize the amenities and what should be included in the brochure.

Playground equipment was discussed. Bids have been received from two companies. A smaller playground was \$400,000 and one that included a fitness course was \$600,000. The fitness course would replace the fitness course that was first placed by the pickleball courts as part of the original plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m.