



# Western Gateway Recreation & Park District

## MINUTES

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Sunday, January 12, 2025

Emergency Meeting 2:00 pm

Buttermaker's Cottage

- 1) **Call to Order** Meeting called to order at 2:05 PM **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Director Towne
- 2) **Roll Call** – Sharon Lewis, Vice Chairman – present; Brandon Lindsen – present via phone; , Dion Reif, absent; Paul Towne, present
- 3) **Introduction of guests** Christopher Potter, incoming board member and president of PV Area Little League
- 4) **Agenda Approval** – Acting Chair Lewis asked if there was a motion to approve agenda as presented. Director Lindsen moved and Director Towne seconded. Unanimously approved
- 5) **Public Comments** – no public comments
- 6) **New Business**
  - a. **Creek Crossing** – Director Lindsen explained the demolition quotes submitted by Hansen Brothers were for prevailing wages and non-prevailing wages. He researched the grant and determined there is enough grant money to cover the prevailing wages bid. After demolition the plan is to place a 53' shipping container with locking doors to span the crossing to provide Little League access to the ballfields. Senior Softball is in talks with Litton but is excited at the prospect of staying at Western Gateway Park. They have some concerns about emergency response in case of a medical emergency. Director Lindsen asked Mr. Potter for his input. Mr. Potter expressed that he is in full support of a shipping container for walking access as sharing fields with other Little League teams can be difficult. Certain divisions will be practicing at local schools since they do not have to practice on ballfields that meet Little League specifications. The Penn Valley Area Little League is willing to purchase the Conex container provided it can be later placed in the ballfield area for Little League storage. Director Lindsen is seeking short-term loan of a golf cart which could be used to transport those who cannot make the walk from parking to ballfields. Coordination with Hansen may be needed to place the Conex box. Mr. Potter has reached out to resource with a 60 ton crane and will be getting quotes. Director Lindsen noted that Hansen Brothers will be using machinery on both banks of the creek and may be able to assist in placing the container across the creek. Acting Chair Lewis asked about prevailing wages using grant money. Director Lindsen responded that the county gap loan funding is in process as of Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup> and will hopefully not take as long as the gap loan for the playground grant, which will be imminently transferred. Director Lindsen moved to accept the Hansen Brothers quote with prevailing wages. Director Towne seconded. Unanimously approved.
- 7) **Director Comments** Director Lindsen created a board member assignment sheet listing user groups: Baseball; Disc Golf; Dog Park; Bike Park; Pickleball/Tennis; Bocce Ball; RC Cars; Trails; Prop 68/Playgrounds; and RRT Grant/Creek/RV/Baseball. Director Lindsen is currently involved with all but two of the groups. He would like each director to pick at least two user groups as the assigned board member.
- 8) **Adjournment** Director Lindsen moved to adjourn. Director Towne seconded the motion Meeting adjourned at 2:18 PM.