

Notes from DRYC Meeting, 7/26/2023

Recreation

Summer camp and programs are going well.

Marty shared about the Groovin' in the Park event (see below)

TCYSD

Submitted budget with roughly 2% increase for the department and municipalities. Hopeful that their budget will be approved as submitted.

The county administrator froze funding for an open position in the department. It is currently on the cut list, but they put in an Over Target Request to restore funding.

CCE is giving raisies

Kate reminded us about the Municipal Youth Services event in October (see below)

Town Board

Approved resolution to apply for Design Connect grant. The deadline is 7/31 so we may not be able to get the application together in time.

Ray Burger has started the wetlands delineation that will help us know what areas of the property we can develop for the fields/park project. It will also help ameliorate concerns from the Conservation Board.

Recreation Fields

We discussed where we're at with the field project.

Marty shared about the Cortland Standard article that mischaracterization of some background details of the fields project.

Once we have the wetlands delineation from Planning, we can move forward on roughing out a space for an initial multi-use field and begin working on larger plans.

Rick Young has ideas about parking/driveway, and electric and water access.

Leslie brought up the question of walkability.

I think there is potential to link a walking path/boardwalk from Neptune Drive.

Marty also mentioned the ongoing effect to make a trail from TC3 down to the village. We might be able to combine with or connect to that path.

I suggested tying into the location's history as the county fairgrounds to promote the project.

Upcoming Events:

Groovin' in the Park

Diane Pamel at Southworth Library has spearheaded a Dryden community event in the vein of the Holiday in the Village event in December. It will be Saturday, August 26 from 1-5 PM at Montgomery Park. She is looking for volunteers to help with children's activities from 1-3. Reach out to Diane at d.pamel@gmail.com or southworthlibrary@gmail.com to volunteer.

MYSS Event – October 12

Put October 12 on your calendar for a Municipal Youth Services System event. The networking and recognition event will be at Hotel Ithaca from 6-8:30 PM and dinner will be provided. This is a great opportunity to connect with our peers from other commissions around the county. More details to come.