

Poplar Park Meeting

5/29/2024

- Total budget for Poplar Park = \$58,500
 - Anything above \$1,000 requires three bids.
 - Anything above \$5,000 requires council approval
 - The City has not received the money from the County yet. According to law, the money must be received by 12/31/2024.
 - Money must be spent by 12/31/2025
- This Committee is to present recommendations to Chaquias.
 - Develop itemized budget w/ line items costs with quotes from contractors
 - We can only use licensed contractors because of liability. City could be sued if we don't use a licensed contractor and something were to happen to someone.
- The Committee needs a copy of the current land survey for the park so we can have correct measurements for fencing and border plantings.
- Discussion about built-in seating on the hill and an adjacent tree.
- Discussion on fencing and border plantings. Calvin researched and recommends:
 - split-rail fence.
 - Cypress trees as hedges
- A shortcut to Mangos must be included in the planning of the park.
- Committee would like somebody w/ knowledge of plants to join a future meeting(s) as needed.
- Discussion about benches. They should be the same as the benches on the berm for continuity.

Next meeting June 27 at Poplar Park.

4/9/2024

Appoint Secretary: Jan Christiansen appointed secretary

Why Poplar Park (Objective):

The City of Pine Lake believes that Poplar Park:

- Will offer an additional space for “finding respite” from the stress of the current economic, health, and life crises that present challenges in the lives of community members.
- Serves the theme of community togetherness and shared identity.
- Will offer a space for healthy play, collaboration, and social interaction scenarios for youth.
- May be a contributing factor towards the increased health and welfare of the community members who engage in the park space.

Still have not received funding from LCJ.

Best use of funds. Current budget is \$53K for Park, 5K for lighting

Budget

Still have not received funding for the park. Current budget is \$53,000 for the Park space and \$5,000 for lighting. As soon as we get the funding we need to begin work.

Park Activities

Ideas: Sound Sculpture, Posts for Peace and Justice

Review of Plans

Committee reviewed plans and statement of work for the park.

Steps for Readyng the Park

- Clear the lot
 - a. Hire landscaping crew
 - b. Companies/ Names to consider
 - i. Elaine Clark – Thomas and Brannon
- Differentiation/Boundaries
 - a. Fencing
 - Benches
 - Plantings and Art

Action Items

Thomas:

Communicating w/ Elaine and Brannon

Research Horse fencing

Jan:

Research benches. Should be durable and inviting

Augusta:

Research trash cans

Calvin:

Research Natural Fencing

Thomas & Calvin:

Research lighting including solar lights, block lights?

Jan & Augusta

Research privacy fencing