

Susan Ganther

From: Gall, Michael <gallmj@milwaukee.k12.wi.us>
Sent: Tuesday, March 23, 2021 9:58 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: RE: Attend tonight's meeting regarding the park.

Hello , and thanks for responding so quickly.

Yes I would like to see the results of the survey that the citizens filled out at the tax collection . I want to know how many people want Frisbee golf as a percent of the survey. I think the company that was hired to review and recommend improvements somehow is forcing this on the citizens.

Here is my opinion after being a resident near the park for 3 years and going to the park for 10 years. I have been going to castle rock for 55 years on the Germantown side of the lake.

The current park is not maintained, why would we want to spend more money when the current assets are not taken care of.

There is only 1 garbage can. Half the cooking grills are not taken care of , are crooked or not cleaned. The bridge is awful.

No one deserves new things when they can not take care of the things they have , it is a bad track record.

The dock needs pressure washing and the sidewalks are never brushed clear of debris.

There is one poo bag station for dogs , I think that sign is crooked.

There has never been picnic tables placed by the fire cooking areas since I have noticed.

Does the township think the citizens should be moving the picnic tables to where they can be used beneficially.

There is debris piles of sticks that need to be picked up.. There is no recycle bin.

If you look at the Comprehensive plan. Vision .. 1. Is to preserve the scenic beauty. <https://townofgermantown.com/vision/>

Putting in a disk golf course is lots of tree cutting and ruining the natural setting. Put in some walking trails or bike trails.

I am 100 percent against chopping down trees so someone can throw a Frisbee . the Frisbees can be thrown on the beach !!!

What is a bike repair station anyway... WE don't need one. They many need bike repair if they try to ride across the bridge into the park.

There is no fish off the pier .. it is 3 feet deep by the pier docks. No need for a Fishing Node. What is a fishing node anyway.

What is a pet station ? . it is 10 acres do we need more than one poo bag station ?

I have more but not more time..

Hope this helps

Thanks.

Michael J. Gall
Oracle Exadata Database Administrator
Milwaukee Public Schools

gallmj@milwaukee.k12.wi.us

From: Susan Ganther <susan@townofgermantown.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 23, 2021 9:39 AM
To: Gall, Michael <gallmj@milwaukee.k12.wi.us>
Subject: RE: Attend tonight's meeting regarding the park.

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Michael,

Below is the link to the meeting. There was a survey that was taken at the time of the 2019/2020 tax collection. Is that the survey you are referring to?

What is being collected currently, and reviewed in the meeting tonight, is public opinion/input about specifics of the proposal .

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89430001444?pwd=UGw2NUVwbHRaeExtS2dqZk54UHlKZz09>

Susan Ganther, Clerk/Treasurer
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From: Gall, Michael <gallmj@milwaukee.k12.wi.us>
Sent: Tuesday, March 23, 2021 9:09 AM
To: Susan Ganther <susan@townofgermantown.com>
Subject: Attend tonight's meeting regarding the park.

I would like to attend tonight's meeting.

I would also like to see the survey results of the park survey taken .

Thanks.

Michael J. Gall
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Susan Ganther

From: Michael Wolf <michaelwolf2205@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 20, 2021 7:54 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Park upgrade

Susan,

I thank you for the opportunity to allow comment on the proposed Germantown Park upgrades. Our family has been living in Germantown for over 7 years and feels blessed to have the ability to hike, bike, and fish in our area. We have been visitors to Germantown Park quite regularly during all seasons but area almost daily visitors during the summer season. I applaud the effort the board has made at creating a plan that allows improved access and varied activities that continue to make our township the envy of others. While the cost seems substantial the plan laid out seems more than reasonable. Providing access and activity that provides for activities that are non-motorized suggests to me stewardship of the environment and an option for residents and visitors that allows appreciation of the beauty right here in our community.

As residents and local health care providers, my wife and I provide our full support for this project. With this project, we see the benefit for us and our family as well as those we serve through our work. Please feel free to contact us for any additional support. Thank you

Maria and Mike Wolf
N7743 Half Moon Bay Dr
New Lisbon, WI 53950

COPPER POINT
FROM WAUKESHA

Susan Ganther

From: Linda Koszyczarek <lindakoszyczarek@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 21, 2021 9:13 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Stop the park

Hello,

My husband and I own a parcel of land directly on Castle Rock lake. Purely an investment. We already pay almost the same amount of property taxes on this land as we do on our \$400,000 home. Not to mention the yearly HOA of \$300.00.

We do not want anymore taxes assessed to pay for a park we will never use. People living on a lake such as Castle Rock or with lake access do not need a park for recreation when the lake is right outside their door.

I sincerely hope that enough property owners are against this frivolous spending.

Sincerely,
Linda and Robert Koszyczarek

Sent from my iPhone

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Susan Ganther

From: Jeanne Jahnke <kelkei1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 21, 2021 4:03 PM
To: Susan Ganther; gym.keene@gmail.com
Subject: Stop the Town Park

We truly feel that spending that amount of money would be much more beneficial to many more people if we would build a fire station for us all and emergency 911 services, provided to us. Everyone would save on our insurances, and our health, with much quicker and closer service. We do need this much more. Please consider that instead. Thank you. Marty & Jeanne Jahnke

Susan Ganther

From: Jim Keene <gym.keene@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 21, 2021 6:17 AM
To: Susan Ganther; Chairman TOG
Cc: Ken Jax; Skip B Germantown; feldman16@outlook.com; korbeinkeith@mediacombb.net
Subject: Germantown Park Meeting March 23
Attachments: Fwd_ Against the Germantown Park3.eml; Germantown.eml; Germantown.eml; GermantownParkNo .eml; Proposed Town of Germantown Park.eml; Re_ Against the Germantown Park.eml; RE_ Against the Germantown Park2.eml; Stop The Town Park.eml; Stop town park.eml; StopTheTownPark.eml; Town park master plan.eml; Town Park Project.eml; town park.eml; Why_.eml

Mr. Chairman of the Township of Germantown,

I have attached emails that I have rec'd to date regarding the proposed upgrade to the Germantown Park. Please add these attachments and this email to Tuesday March 23's meeting as part of **the public comment and make them part of the meeting notes**. These should be read aloud at the meeting. In addition in **opposition** you can add the names of :

Jim & Debby Keene
Brad Pavloski

Regards,
Jim Keene

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Susan Ganther

From: DENIS DUFFY <mantle@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 8:25 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: RE: Germantown Park Improvements

Thanks

Hope that was positive sounding? Walked around there and don't really object to anything proposed other than when it looks so nice it will draw additional people. I like no people!!!

On 03/22/2021 8:22 AM Susan Ganther <susan@townofgermantown.com> wrote:

Hi Dorothy and Denis,

Below is the meeting link.

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Susan

From: DENIS DUFFY <mantle@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 8:18 AM
To: Susan Ganther <susan@townofgermantown.com>
Subject: Germantown Park Improvements

We have read information made available by the Town of Germantown pertaining to the planned renovations of Germantown Park and are, in general, supportive of those plans.

For the March 23rd virtual public meeting, we would ask if the Board would consider moving some or all of the funds from line items 6, 7, 13, 14, 15 and 21 and allocate those funds to security, additional park/beach access and landscaping improvements. Just thinking if a person is capable of portaging their canoe/kayak to the beach why would they need a designated launch, most folks have their own portable chairs/toys to enjoy the park/beach, and cyclists generally carry cell phones and/or repair kits to use when in trouble.

Have cell phone/electric car recharging stations be considered? Not saying they are needed at this point. You might want to ensure the groundwork is put in place for the future since there are planned parking lot and electric improvements.

On a personal note, a new restroom is a good use of funds and the expenditure doesn't appear out of line when you consider the cost of updating a residential bathroom.

Please send the link for this meeting when available. We might not be home in time to attend due to travel but will try.

Regards,

I have thought long and hard about the park ever since ideas and a plan were developed last year. Yes, there are things I would like to see, and some not so much. Here are my thoughts.

When my son was young, the only way we could play on a playground other than our little old metal swingset was to drive to parks in either New Lisbon or Mauston where they have nice playground areas. It would have been helpful had there been a park in Germantown at the time. I am sure it is very nice that many of the new developments in the Town have playgrounds or play areas; however, they are private for that development's use only. There really is nothing to do in Germantown for the young future residents and owners in the way of public playgrounds.

Handicap accessibility fishing areas would be a great feature. I have handicapped family and friends who cannot make it to a dock to fish or to just sit unless there is accessibility. None of us are getting any younger, and accessibility may be what the rest of us need in the maybe not so near future. A parking area that is closer to the lake would improve accessibility. It would also provide overflow parking from the main lot for large gathering in the town hall. Adding benches and replacing/adding picnic tables for seating or picnicking would improve everyone's accessibility to seating in nature.

As for walking paths, I would be all for them, especially from a safety aspect. As soon as snow melts, the walking picks up on the roads. Roads were meant, developed, and put in for vehicular traffic, not as walking paths. However, people use them as such. What causes the problems with pedestrians on the roadway are: many do not walk on the shoulder on the appropriate side (they should be walking on the shoulder against traffic), couples and groups walk side by side, walk in the middle of the lanes, and do not move off the pavement when vehicles approach which prevents vehicles from driving in their proper lanes and causing dangerous weaving around pedestrians. I have witnessed this many times in my travels here. I have also taken complaints from residents about pedestrians causing traffic issues. Walking paths through the park would help reduce pedestrian/traffic issues. Besides, weekenders who have a small mostly treeless lot here can enjoy a walk in a rural wooded setting among the modern developments to enjoy the fauna and flora offered by a park.

The park restrooms definitely need help. Since the current building has structural issues, they have been deemed unsafe to use. At the time they were originally installed, they were to also serve as a tornado shelter for park occupants. Improving/replacing them would be a huge improvement.

The bridge spans the wetland to reach the docks and provides a scenic backdrop for photography. But over the years, its power pole structure as well as its decking have started rotting and look bad. Its life expectancy is well past. Replacement with something that will last longer, be easier to maintain, and be safer would be helpful to the use of the park. Having a bridge in the park is fun from a child's perspective. My son sure thought that. The bridge was a low structure spanning a little back-water area of the lake where you can safely watch tadpoles, ducks, turtles, deer, turkeys, and the like, as well as being able to view all the different plants, practice identifying different kinds of trees and plants, take shade under a tree, or walk off-trail. It was a place to teach about and enjoy nature.

I enjoy bicycling and canoeing but do not get to do these as I would like. The improvements would benefit those who are active in these endeavors and who want to have an alternative place to do them. I do question, though, including a bicycle fixing station. Most people either just stop where the issue happens rather than wait to get to a designated fixing station, have a cell phone and call someone to get their bicycle home if there is an issue, or even carry their own small tools for small fixes. As for a canoe/kayak launch and racks, I am thinking these really will not be used much due to concern of theft of racked craft, and most people just push off from in the water as they are low watercraft to launch.

The Town's recent letter essentially stated that Phase I park improvements would be comprised of about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the funding coming from two grants, another almost $\frac{1}{4}$ from already collected impact fees, plus a modest amount from a designated park fund. Then Phase II and Phase III would be in the future, depending on how Phase I went and depending on any additional grants that may be available later for the later phases that would go along with any impact fees that would be collected. Grants are a "use it or lose it" deal. We are a small town with a small park, and someone higher up thought enough of our applications to choose us for these grants to improve our small part of the world. We were fortunate to be chosen. If we do not use the grants, then they most likely would go to some city to enhance their already well-established park systems. Where can you find free money of almost $\frac{3}{4}$ of a million dollars to make improvements that will benefit the Town and anyone who visits the park? Granted, nothing is ever free; there will be some maintenance and upkeep but so far it looks like those costs will be minimal and will not affect taxes.

One of the goals as noted in the Comprehensive Plan of the Town of Germantown is to "improve the Town-owned park, to promote regional access to Castle Rock Lake for swimming, fishing, and canoeing/kayaking. Park improvements will also be completed to accommodate bicyclists using the Town's multi-use trails." I think the plans of Phase I will accomplish that and am FOR Phase I. Some maintenance and upkeep is already part of the yearly Town budget, for things such as mowing the park area, cutting trees, and caring for the docks and restrooms. Insurance would be a minimal increase. The park as we know it currently was not created all at once.

As for Phase II and Phase III with the disc golf, it sounds like a great idea to start, but I question that. I would hope the Board would take the wait and see approach and then revisit Phase II and Phase III at a later date for grants and possible funding that would cover the costs without burdening the taxpayers.

Wisconsin State Statute 60.23 (g) gives the Town Board the ability to "appropriate money for the conservation of natural resources or for payment to a bona fide nonprofit organization for the conservation of natural resources within the town or beneficial to the town." The grants would help accomplish that, by preserving the land for nature and public use, rather than being built on by any developer who may close public access to the lake and remove the wooded natural feature. I believe the park is a natural resource. The Board would be holding up their end by fulfilling their part in the Comprehensive plan by doing the improvements to the park that would provide a safe place to enjoy nature before there are no natural areas left to enjoy. Besides, having a modernized park is a very big selling point for anyone looking to sell their property here or looking to buy and move here. This park benefits everyone and not just existing property owners that are not in developments or who are in older developments.



Susan Ganther

From: jmiller20603@gmail.com
Sent: Friday, March 19, 2021 2:07 PM
To: Susan Ganther; gym.keene@gmail.com
Subject: Proposed Town of Germantown Park

Town Board,

We strongly oppose any expansions to the town park.

Just because the money is free, NOTHING IS FREE, it's taxpayers money.

Your maintance estimate will be grossly underestimated in the long run and a bigger burden will fall on us taxpayers.

Milwaukee got free money and built a trolley.

Ask Milwaukee how that trolley is working out now.

Who is going to pay for a security video surveillance system for the park?, one will definitely be needed because we won't have a gatekeeper like the County and State park.

Who is going to check the park everyday and unlock and lock the bathroom?

How long is our insurance company going to pay for vandalism to the park?, or until they raise our rate.


Once word gets out, how will we kept the meth heads from destroying our park?

The Board should be looking for ways to lower our tax rate, not increase it.

Jim & Deb Miller

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

BUKKHORN
ACRES



DEAR TOWN OF GERMANTOWN

NO PARK IN TOWN

WE CHOOSE NOT TO MOVE

FORWARD, NO

SINCERELY

MR. TED SWITALSKI

MRS. Daniela Switalski

N. 8292 SHADY LN

608-565-7130

COPPER POINT
FROM MADISON

Susan Ganther

From: Olson, David J. <David.Olson1@va.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2021 11:00 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: RE: Town Park

If that is the case and it is not costing anybody any thing extra I don't see the problem with having another park.

David J. Olson

Supply Chain Management
William S. Middleton VA Hospital
Madison WI 53705
David.Olson1@va.gov
608-280-2159
608-280-7106 - Fax

From: Susan Ganther <susan@townofgermantown.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2021 10:57 AM
To: Olson, David J. <David.Olson1@va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Town Park

You are correct. The grant money would be use or lose.

Susan Ganther, Clerk/Treasurer
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susan@townofgermantown.com
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From: Olson, David J. <David.Olson1@va.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2021 10:53 AM
To: Susan Ganther <susan@townofgermantown.com>
Cc: gym.keene@gmail.com
Subject: Town Park

It was my understanding that this "park" was not only to cost any local residents any extra in taxes that the money to build was going to be all in the form of grants and donations. If the grants weren't used then that money would be lost. Is that not the case? Thank you.

David J. Olson

Supply Chain Management
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Susan Ganther

From: Jim Keene <gym.keene@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2021 4:27 PM
To: Olson, David J.; Susan Ganther
Subject: RE: Town Park

David,

Thanks so much for the email.

Hope I can provide clarification. The park will be partially paid by a "State Grant" and the end of the calendar year if not spent it goes back to the State. Grants are part of the Wisconsin taxpayers money. We have been told that Germantown residents will not have taxes increased. Don't worry it's coming.

Regards,
Jim Keene

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From: Olson, David J.
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2021 10:52 AM
To: susan@townofgermantown.com
Cc: gym.keene@gmail.com
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Susan Ganther

From: Patrick McCormick <winston@mwt.net>
Sent: Friday, March 19, 2021 8:49 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Cc: Deema
Subject: Germantown Park discussion/board meeting
19,2021

Date: March

Date: March 19,2021

To: Germantown Township Board

From: P. Michael(Mick) McCormick DDS

Prompted by a mailing from Town Board candidate Jim Keene, I'm compelled to issue the following response.

My background: Juneau County resident for 63 of my 72 years. A resident in Germantown Township for 27 years. Growing up in Juneau County, I enjoyed pedal biking to Castle Rock Lake from Mauston. After university training and return to Mauston, I looked forward to the possibility of residing lakeside someday; that wish has been fulfilled.

In 1950, when Castle Rock Lake was in its infancy, Germantown Township assessed tax value was \$338,440.00 By 1990, just one year after the initial land sales began in the first planned development(Odells Bay) took place, the assessed value was \$50,068,900.00. Unsurprisingly, due to demographic trends and development expansion by 2020, assessed value equalled \$382,491,400.00 Taxes collected of \$2,530,639.00 in 1990 rocketed to \$7,898,550.00 in 2020.

As a long time resident, I would expect that the amenities provided for residents and visitors alike would somewhat parallel the tremendous increase in the tax base. Therefore, I was pleased to see the proposal for further public land development that is now termed "reckless" by Mr. Keene. It's long been my wish to see multiple trail use expanded not only in Germantown Park, but also other areas where everyone can enjoy safe passage thru our nature's bounty.

Being an individual who prefers transparency of details, I would like specifics on the contingency and engineering costs. I've also learned that individuals who take a strong position against any spending proposal generally have their own proposal waiting in the wings. If this is true, perhaps Mr Keene would share his wishes for expending funds going forward for the betterment of our community.

Thank you for allowing me to present my views!

HARBOR DR
LIVS IN LACROSSE

Susan Ganther

From: Gail Rollins <gailerollins@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 1:56 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: virtual mtg

Please sign me up for the virtual meeting.
Gailerollins@gmail.com

There are too many people coming to the beach.
There are too many unruly people on the beach.
Maybe with more things to do, they will be better behaved.
But we may need more security on the beach. We do not have a constable anymore...right?
Will you put a restroom near the beach? I think they all pee in the lake all day every day.--disgusting.
This used to be a nice place for families with children. Now it is more like Gilligan's-- a party beach, a drinking beach.
Thanks for trying to make it nice, but drunks may not take good care of your property.
Maybe we can bring it back to a family beach.
Thanks for caring.

Susan Ganther

From: Marian Fox <marianmfox@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 6:40 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Re: Germantown Park

Hello Susan, Since this is the first time I was aware of this plan, I am very pleased that there are plans in the future development of the park! What a great idea! I would love to see this move forward and develop the beach area first, especially. I would like more information regarding the virtual meeting tomorrow, also. I would have emailed sooner but I was on vacation until today. Thanks for the informative letter you sent. Marian Fox

Susan Ganther

From: Jim Keene <gym.keene@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 23, 2021 7:55 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: FW: Against the Germantown Park

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From: [Jim Keene](#)
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2021 9:24 AM
To: [Jim Keene](#)
Subject: Fwd: Against the Germantown Park

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: John Krenz <john@amyhomeservices.com>
Date: March 18, 2021 at 9:02:16 AM EDT
To: Jim Keene <gym.keene@gmail.com>
Subject: Re: Against the Germantown Park

If I could vote in Wisconsin I would surely vote against it!

Thanks,

John Krenz
President
Amy Home Services
39 N Western Ave
Carpentersville IL 60110
AmyHomeServices.com

On Mar 18, 2021, at 5:39 AM, Jim Keene <gym.keene@gmail.com> wrote:

The Germantown Chairman and Board of Supervisors have plans to recklessly spend 2+ million dollars of taxpayers money on a park. Lets STOP this needless and unwanted spending. Please email your thoughts to susan@townofgermantown.com and gym.keene@gmail.com .

Regards,

Jim Keene
Germantown Resident/Stone Gate Lake

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<JimKeenePostcard_6x9.pdf>

Susan Ganther

From: Terri Cox <coxt51@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 12:19 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Meeting

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John and Terri Cox
N7496 Harbor Drive
New Lisbon

Sent from my iPad

Susan Ganther

From: George Rosch <gmrosch@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 12:46 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Germantown Park Project

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So glad to see a much needed addition to the area become reality. As our population keeps growing more and more families come into the area. It's great to see things being built that will benefit everyone, and add to a sense of community. Things like illuminated bike and walking trails, disc golf, fishing areas provide things to do, and a chance to get to know our neighbors within Germantown. Many times when I have friends come for the weekend with kids it is hard to find things close by to do, This will be a great way to spend time doing things nearby and enhance the luxury we are all afforded of having Castle Rock lake in our "backyard".

Please let me know as construction efforts begin if there is anything I can do to volunteer or help out in any way. I know that everyone I have talked to about the park is as excited as I am to see new and fun improvements come into our area. Great job! Projects like this add to everyones real estate value, but also to quality time and enjoyment of our natural resources.

George Rosch
W5445 Etiers Way
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312 375-6864

2 ND EMAIL
FROM Terri

Susan Ganther

From: Terri Cox <coxt51@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 1:31 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Re: Meeting

We were thinking we could use beach patrol on holidays. It's getting very busy.
Terri and John

Sent from my iPad

> On Mar 22, 2021, at 1:21 PM, Susan Ganther <susan@townofgermantown.com> wrote:
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Hi,

We live closest to the park Park not used enough to justify spending millions to get a grant .

Disk golf as we have seen in many areas in Wisconsin sit vacant and unused . the fad is over .

This is a lake community ,if nice weather people are using the lake ,if bad weather will not be disk golfing . spring .fall and winter will completely be unused .

3rd phase is not even covered expecting more grants etc . thus tax payers get stuck with it ,and in that length of time prices will go up.

Current park needs up grades ,NEW BRIDGE , MORE PICNIC TABLES ,TRAILS FOR CROSS COUNTRY SKIING AND HIKING , pet walking .

Watching wildlife and eagles is a popular activity of the few people we meet that use the park.

To attract people and families make a playground near current shelter .already have the side walks

Get a double slide , monkey bars , sand box etc., Make another smaller playground near current beach,

Expanding beach is not needed will just give more boat parking for more partying

To attract people you have an ENDANGERED SPECIES HABITAT LUPINE, KARNER BLUE AND FROSTED ELFIN BUTTERFLIES.

WHY DESTROY IT ? EXPAND IT .MAKE IT A STATE ATTRACTION .

TO REMOVE AND REPLACE DONATED BENCHES AND PICNIC TABLES MAKES NO SENSE THEY ARE IN GREAT SHAPE ,ARE MADE TO LAST.

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DON'T NEED trails for ATV , UTV in park .they can go on almost every road in area.atv routes . keep park QUIET.

FEW BIKES FREQUENT THE PARK . NO NEED FOR A REPAIR STATION.

We have never saw more than 3 vehicles in the parking area in 17 years . parking area is adequate .

We recommend you leave donated items in park and get more donations .

We would donate a bench . table . chip in on slide etc if the million dollar golf etc renovation is not done .get more donations .maybe developer of many many housing developments would donate a bridge or play ground or something.

Area across street could be made into ATV UTV trails near brush dump .LOTS OF SPACE ATV CLUBS MAY HELP WITH THAT.

NO NEED FOR SIDE WALK ON STREET FROM PARK TO TOWN GARAGE GOES NO WHERE FOR PEOPLE TO USE IT . WASTE OF MONEY .TRAFFIC PRETTY LOW PEOPLE DO WALK ON ROAD AND ALREADY PAID FOR .

LEAVE THE ONLY QUIET WOODED AREA LEFT THAT PEOPLE CAN WALK AND VIEW WILD LIFE AND EAGLES ETC. RELAX .

A LOT OF DEAD TREES NEED TO BE CLEANED UP .HAVE A VOLUNTEER CLEANUP DAY A FEW TIMES ,ITS FREE.

PARK WOULD BE AWESOME WITH NATURAL CROSS COUNTRY AND HIKING TRAILS WINDING THRU THE WOODS ETC.

PLEASE CONSIDER SOME OF THE SUGGESTIONS ON IMPROVEMENTS WITHOUT DESTROYING THE BEAUTY AND SPENDING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS

Marc and Nancy Gratiot

CASTLE ROCK ESTATES
FROM MARENGO IL

Susan Ganther

From: Jacki Dudek <jmdudek@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Sunday, March 21, 2021 3:48 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Cc: gregg; Mike Dudek
Subject: Park

Apologies- it appears that I may have typed an incorrect address for Susan on the first email.

Thank you-
Jacki

From: Jacki Dudek <jmdudek@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Sunday, March 21, 2021 3:42 PM
To: susan@townofgermantown.com
Cc: gregg; Mike Dudek
Subject: Park

Dear Susan and Gregg-

We hope this finds you well. Reaching out to share that we are 100% in favor and support the park project. We feel that it would be a great addition to the town and add value as a community.

Thank you -
Michael and Jacki Dudek
815-355-8794

Susan Ganther

From: Shirley Larson <slarson42@mediacombb.net>
Sent: Friday, March 19, 2021 4:09 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Germantown Park Renovations

Good evening.

As a bit of introduction. We were born in Mauston; graduated from Mauston and Madonna High Schools in 1960. We lived in southeast Wisconsin for many years.

My husband and I and our families have enjoyed Castle Rock Lake since its inception. We have enjoyed the Germantown area for many years and have been permanent residents since 2004.

My husband and I send great support for the plan for renovation of Germantown Park. All of the Germantown residents and their families will benefit from the enhancement or additions for outdoor activities in this immediate area.

The plan has been developed over years in comprehensive planning. The financial budget/impact has been well researched and now presented to the residents. Significant facts include the use of the Stewardship Grant from the state of Wisconsin; and no planned tax levy now or in the future.

There has been extensive private development in Germantown. It is now very significant for public resources to be developed and provided to all residents and visitors to our area. The new beach, additional walking trails and picnic facilities are of special interest to us.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our support for the Germantown Park Renovation Program.

Shirley and David Larson
N6921 Sandstone Dr.
Mauston, Wi 53948

Susan Ganther

From: Lisa Tatzel <conwayheadquarters@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 19, 2021 8:59 PM
To: gym.keene@gmail.com
Cc: Susan Ganther
Subject: Town Park Project

We agree the property needs a face-lift but not at the extreme expenses quoted in the plan. These quotes are ridiculous and as taxpayers in this area we believe some things would be nice to upgrade like the bathrooms and tables/benches and landscaping but many of the ideas are not at all a priority. Phase 1 would seem necessary but anything beyond that at this point needs to be looked at more closely to decide what is worth it and what is not.

We would rather pay lower taxes than provide expensive amenities to mostly nonlocal guests for 3-4 months out of the year.

We also plan to vote for Jim Keene to help stop the nonsense that will only be a selling point for the local Developer.

Thankyou for your consideration of our opinion,
Dennis & Lisa Conway
Stone Gate Lake

Susan Ganther

From: Sue Fabian <s.fabes@mwt.net>
Sent: Friday, March 19, 2021 9:27 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Germantown Park

Hi Susan,

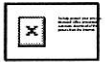
I live in O'Dells Bay and received a letter from Greg Haurroth regarding Germantown Park.

I love to walk and snowshoe through the park. Germantown Park is a beautiful piece of land that is not well-utilized.

I am definitely for any improvements such as the proposed beach, access for those with kayaks/canoes, walking trails, and Frisbee golf.

Let me know if I can help in any way.

Sue Fabian



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19TH AVE
FROM MAUSTON

Susan Ganther

From: mrladd@hughes.net
Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 2021 3:23 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: RE: germantown park project

thanks for responding, i was thinking, it wouldnt be good to have a parking lot by the lake, but access for dropping off stuff would be nice, drop off only and no parking. if people park, give them a ticket, generate some revenue lol

thanks again

On Mar 10, 2021 7:42 AM, Susan Ganther <susan@townofgermantown.com> wrote:

Ladd,

Thank you for your input. I will make sure it is a part of the meeting.

Susan

From: mrladd@hughes.net <mrladd@hughes.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 9, 2021 5:51 PM
To: Susan Ganther <susan@townofgermantown.com>
Subject: germantown park project

Dear Susan, as a germantown resident for many years, i received the letter about the park project.

i can not attend the meeting march 23rd, however maybe you can pass along my concern.

i always fish on the park pier, at my age it is quite a struggle to haul my fishing gear from the parking area to the water. i see on ariel photos on the north side of the park (left side facing the lake) there was an access road from long past.

im wondering if this old access road could be improved to allow for motor vehicle access to the lake? perhaps?
or a way for fishermen to drive closer to the water and pier area.

thanks.

EVERGREEN LN
FROM LAKE IN THE HILLS IL

Susan Ganther

From: Berkshire, Sharon <Sharon.Berkshire@amitahealth.org>
Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 2021 8:57 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: GERMANTOWN PARK / TOWN PARK

Susan,

I am a proud recipient of the most recent letter about the park information. I am very excited for the information but I would like to know the actual address / location of Park? I would love to be able to utilize the park but I cannot find any information on the Town of Germantown Website or on the internet for the above Park names?

Thank you for any additional information you can provide. I am looking for the actual street address or intersecting street info, etc.

Thanks again

Sharon Berkshire
Switchboard Operator

St Alexius Medical Center

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Susan Ganther

From: kathy.thome@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, March 11, 2021 10:23 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Germantown Park

Good morning,

Thank you for sending out information regarding the park and asking for input. I am very excited about the upgrades and additions to the park. I hope that that the playground area will be part of the phase 1 plan. There are not a lot of playgrounds for the kids in Germantown and it is a much needed facility for the children. And with the Mauston one being torn down, it left a hole on where kids can play.

I am in support of this development. It is unfortunate that the major developer in the area does not support this. I hope that will not be a deterrent from getting this built.

Regards,
Kathy

kathy.thome@aol.com
847-902-9945

Susan Ganther

From: carolyn gibeaut <ckadee1975@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 11, 2021 11:09 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Proposed Park

Hello Susan,

This email is being sent to voice both Rollie's and my 100% approval of the proposed renovations to the Germantown Park. We feel that these renovations will be a wonderful asset to our community benefiting both young and old.

Please pass our solid approval to these proposed additions on to the Town Board.

Thank you,
Rollie and Carolyn Gibeaut

Carolyn Gibeaut

"In golf as in life, it's the follow through that makes the difference" unknown

***There are three kinds of men:
The ones that learn by reading.
The few who learn by observation.
The rest of them have to pee on the electric fence
and find out for themselves.***

Susan Ganther

From: Barbara Scervino <xrsz6363@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 11, 2021 11:25 AM
To: Susan Ganther

Hi,

I read over the proposed
Additions to the town hall
Park..this is a gteT ide and I fully support it..

Thank you

BARBARA SCERVINO
N8246 POPLAR LN

NEW LISBON

Susan Ganther

From: bah565@mchsi.com
Sent: Thursday, March 11, 2021 11:54 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: proposed Town Hall Park

Just wanted to send a quick email concerning the proposed Town Hall park, We think it would be a great idea. Something that can be enjoyed by all Germantown residents. We wanted to show our support for it.

thanks

Marty & Betty Hagan

Susan Ganther

From: gmagpaupnrth@tds.net
Sent: Thursday, March 11, 2021 1:49 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Proposed park

I am in favor of the additions to be made at the Germantown park. I think this will be a great asset to the area. It is something we can all use. I have been living here since 2002 and am not in favor of all the trees that are being removed just to make holes in the ground so homes can be sold as having water front. Castle Rock lake is all the water front anyone needs and trees are an important part of the environment.

Mary Holmberg

Susan Ganther

From: Dirty Turtle <dirtyturtle@dirtyturtle.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 11, 2021 6:08 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Germantown Park

Chairman,

We wanted to write and voice our support of the project to improve Germantown Park. As our area continues to grow, the need for more recreational areas is also growing.

We feel the current plan is very comprehensive. The multiuse trails will be a great addition. So many people in our township walk and bike, this will add to the safety of our community members who enjoy these activities.

We also appreciate the handicapped access to the beach, and the planned pet stations, along with the many other new or improved features.

Adding all these improvements, without an increase in the tax levy, and with no future tax dollars, makes it a very easy decision to make. We are totally on board and willing to volunteer to assist if needed.

Thanks to you and your committee for all your efforts in securing the Stewardship Grant, and all the planning that has been done.

We look forward to the virtual meeting.

James and Sheila Marx
W5079 S Osprey Drive
New Lisbon, WI 53950

Susan Ganther

From: Dave Moyle <echodm1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 14, 2021 9:01 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Park

Just letting you know I approve up the improvements to Germantown Park
Dave Moyle
W5771 Woodland Dr

Susan Ganther

From: sharisarazin@mwt.net
Sent: Sunday, March 14, 2021 11:34 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: park improvements input

Hello,

As a resident of Germantown township I would like to suggest an idea for improvement to the Germantown park. I would like the board to consider improving an area of the park to facilitate Summertime musical concerts that would be available for Germantown residents and guests as well.

I have more thoughts on this subject if the board would like to pursue this idea further.

Unfortunately, I do not believe I will be available on March 23rd for the virtual meeting.

Please feel free to reach out to me concerning this idea for the park.

I look forward to discussing this further!!!

~Shari Sarazin

Shari A. Sarazin

Harp & Song

sharisarazin@mwt.net

www.sharisarazin.com

608-347-7029

Music is well said to be the speech of angels; in fact, nothing among the utterances allowed to man is felt to be so divine. It brings us near to the infinite. – Thomas Carlyle

Susan Ganther

From: Chairman TOG
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 7:58 AM
To: larrythome@aol.com; Susan Ganther
Subject: RE: Feedback on Germantown Park

Hi Larry,

Thank you for your inquiry regard the Germantown Park project.

I've answered your questions below in red.

Please reach out if I can be of any assistance. Please provided addition feedback as you like, but we do ask for it by next Monday.

Cheers,
Gregg

Gregg Haunroth
Germantown, Chairman



From: larrythome@aol.com <larrythome@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 14, 2021 11:54 AM
To: Susan Ganther <susan@townofgermantown.com>
Cc: Chairman TOG <chairman@townofgermantown.com>
Subject: Feedback on Germantown Park

Susan,

As a full-time resident of one of Germantown's "developments", I am in support of the proposed Germantown Park.

In his letter to the Juneau County Star Times (dated 3/11/21), Jim Keene, a Sanitary District Member and candidate for the Town Board states that the developments have "recreation right in the own yard". While this is somewhat true, some of these recreational items are in need of repair (disc golf) or not fully built out (playground). My wife and I have grandkids that we have taken to the playground in Mauston before if was removed and they enjoyed playing there rather than in our development. I would prefer to have something closer to our area.

Also, Germantown is more than just "developments". I feel that all the residents of the town should have access to improved recreation and access to the lake. We live in a beautiful area and that all residents should be able to enjoy it.

I have seen the detail breakdown of the preliminary estimate of the costs (dated 3/10/20) – they have been shared within the development and not supported by the developer, along with Mr. Keene. Given this information, I have a few questions that may be able to be answered at the virtual meeting:

- The total based on the email from Gregg Haunroth totals \$1.974M. Does this include the contingencies and engineering costs that were included in the 3/10/20 preliminary estimates? Yes
- Have there been multiple bids sent out for these estimates? Not yet, after reviewing feedback like yours, the board will vote and if we move forward bids would be in the Fall
- What is the estimated timeframe for completing the different phases? Phase 1 will take Phase one will take about 18 months
- If approved, is it possible that phase 1 gets completed and phase 2 and 3 not get done? Yes Phase 1 has been designed so it can the extent of development if we choose not to move forward with Phases 2 & 3.
- Will this be put to public vote or will it be decided by the town board? When would this decision be made? The board has already approved the creation of the plans which included a public hearing and the grants writing to get the grant. Next Tuesday the Board will review the public input, both recent and from the past survey of taxpayers, and either approve or deny the park.
- If this decision is made to NOT build out the park, is it a done deal that the town would lose the \$432K in grant money or is there a contingency for those dollars? The \$432K can ONLY be used for the park we submitted to the DNR.

Thank you and the Town Board for sending out this information and soliciting feedback.

Sincerely,

Larry Thome
N8144 Kayak Ct
New Lisbon, WI

Susan Ganther

From: Susan Ganther
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 7:42 AM
To: Kathryn Kluth
Subject: RE: park location

Kathryn,

The park is behind the town hall at N7560 17th Avenue.

Susan

From: Kathryn Kluth <kathryn.kluth@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 14, 2021 12:57 PM
To: Susan Ganther <susan@townofgermantown.com>
Subject: park location

Where is this park or proposed park located? It sounds like a good idea for the township. My property is on Castle Rock Dr.
K.Kluth

Susan Ganther

From: Dave Toso <dbtoso@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 11:05 AM
To: Susan Ganther; Chairman TOG
Subject: Town Park Improvements

Hello, I'm writing in support of the improvements to the park. I support the new and improved amenities that are being proposed. I own lot 242 of Island Lake.

Thank you,

Dave Toso

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Amat Victoria Curam

Susan Ganther

From: Laura Toso <laurartoso@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 12:59 PM
To: Chairman TOG; Susan Ganther
Subject: Town park improvements

Dear town board,

In light of the upcoming town meeting, I'm writing in support of the town park renovations. I believe improvements are beneficial for the community to encourage outdoor activities for all ages.

Thank you,

Laura Toso
Lot 242 Island Lake, Town of Germantown

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Sent from my iPhone

Susan Ganther

From: Karen Fetzer <karen.fetzer.ccs@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 9:26 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Germantown Park Renovations

As Germantown residents, we are totally in favor of the plan, in all aspects, to develop the park to include beach access, disc golf, kayak launch, etc. As off-lake residents it will be nice to have beach access without having to walk on someone's property to access it. Having a nice park and playground for the family to visit will be ideal when out of town family visits as well.

Well done, Town Board. Your forward thinking will bring more value to our community without over-burdening the citizens and will be a legacy for years to come.

John Fetzer III
Karen L Fetzer
W5349 Collie Drive
New Lisbon, WI. 53950

Sent from my iPad

Susan Ganther

From: Tessmann, Shawn <Tessmann.Shawn@countyofdane.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 1:06 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Input for new park

Hello-

I am thrilled to support the initiative to improve our park. I would like to connect to the virtual meeting to provide input if possible if you'd send me the details on how to connect. One thing I would offer is that we should take and use the state grant money designated for this purpose. If not, some other community will benefit.

Thank you

Shawn Tessmann
N7395 Winona Drive
New Lisbon

STONEGATE
FROM PENNSYLVANIA

Susan Ganther

From: STEVEN BURTON <slb041297@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2021 10:29 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Project

Full support the planned project!
Do you know how Jim Keene got me email address?
How can I help?

Steven L Burton

Sent from my iPhone

Susan Ganther

From: Dena O <claudia_dena@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 11:30 AM
To: Susan Ganther; gym.keene@gmail.com
Subject: No to the park

Spending all this money on a park that many didn't even know existed until receiving these mailings is insane. My husband and I are year round residents that work in nearby communities for the last 8 yrs. Neither of us knew of its existence until now and even after hearing of it I can say we won't go out of our way to drive to it so will never visit it. Spending this much taxpayer money on a park that many never have and never will visit is wasteful. Tax funds for a small, spread out community like Germantown would be better utilized on things that benefit all residents such as road upgrades, etc. I fail to see how a bunch of widely spread out houses in the woods even need their own park, let alone investing another \$2,000,000+ into this superfluous park.

Please reconsider moving forward with this.

Susan Ganther

From: dawnebeerup@comcast.net
Sent: Friday, March 12, 2021 7:55 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Park

We are not in favor of your park idea at all.
Definitely not in favor of ripping down trees and bringing in unnecessary people into that area.
We are not in agreement with this idea.

Property owner at W5686 Castle Rock Drive.

Dawne and Greg Beerup
5 Cotswold Dr
Yorkville, IL 60650
630-920-4003

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Sent from Outlook Email App for Android

Susan Ganther

From: Steve Bushnick <an80storage@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 14, 2021 1:39 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: German town park

I am writing to let you know that we oppose the wasteful spending on a park that we don't need.

I don't think it is great and I'm not in favor of the 327 new homes to pay for it.

If you build the 1000 homes that are planned it is going to destroy the natural beauty of the Town of Germantown. We do not need more people that throw garbage on our roads and in our lake and on the beaches.

If they want to live in the city let them move there and not keep destroying the once beautiful place I call home.

If people want to go to the park and do these activities, we have Buckhorn State Park right over the bridge that offers them that and more. Maybe we should support our State Parks, not make our own.

If we want to spend money on a project to help our community, we should fix our roads and plant more trees to make this a natural and beautiful place people will want to visit, lets spend money on cleaning up the lake that you could once see the bottom of and restricting the size of boats that pollute it, make the people who visit responsible for the damage they cause. There are other less costly ways to improve our township that will bring visitors back and stimulate the local economy.

Thank you for your time
Steve and Teresa Bushnick

Susan Ganther

From: Bonnie Jones <bonniejones46@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 14, 2021 9:24 PM
To: susan@townofgermantown.com; gym.keene@gmail.com
Subject: Town park master plan

Hello, Susan and Jim. My name is Bonnie Jones. My husband Tom and I own a home on the Little Yellow River in Germantown. We bought our lot in 1991 and built our cabin in 1996. We have seen many changes in the town of Germantown in the last 30 years. We started out feeling like we were " up north" to now feeling like we're in a growing city. We are not happy with the proposed plans for the Germantown Park. We have never seen anyone use the existing park or the pier there. The amenities seem nice but we would rather see a fee based access to the lake provided there(boat launch, parking) and then if successful, amenities could be added and funded by the fees. This would include beach and shore based fishing. Also access should be available and charged for year round access to accommodate ice fishermen as well. Currently the only access points to the lake on the west arm are Buckhorn State Park on county G and the main park, which are fee based, two unimproved launches on the Little Yellow which don't work well with larger boats and are 1/4 mile away from the main lake and the Pine Cove and Dirty Turtle, private businesses. This would be a way to pay for improvements and maintenance and it is paid for by those who wish to use it. This grant that you are talking about is still taxpayer money. I do not wish to increase the burden on taxpayers now or in the future.

WILEY W

Susan Ganther

From: William <wwbruce@mwt.net>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 12:06 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Park Proposal

Sue,

Add Wendy and me to the list of "NO" votes for the park proposal. I can't see spending more than \$2M to upgrade a park that gets little to no use. Especially when we already have a State and County Park in the Town.

Thanks

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

Susan Ganther

From: William <wwbruce@mwt.net>
Sent: Sunday, March 14, 2021 12:50 PM
To: gym.keene@gmail.com
Subject: Germantown

Sent from Mail for Windows 10
Mr. Keene,

When I received the letter from the Town regarding park improvements my first question was whose idea this is. I didn't take me long to figure it out.

I agree with you that it would be waste of taxpayer money, even if not local taxpayers, on a park that would get little if any use.

Susan Ganther

From: Brad Pavloski Waterfront Developments Castle Rock Lake Nepco Lake
<worldlinkbp@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 3:32 PM
To: Jim Keene; Susan Ganther
Subject: town park

Hi Jim

Recvd your letter/postcard today. Good luck at the election.

We are the largest taxpayer in the township and probably the county. We are AGAINST this park 100%.
This park will be a burden on the taxpayers.

Thank you

Brad Pavlosk

Pavloski Development, LLC and related companies.

Susan Ganther

From: Monie Ray <moniejray@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, March 15, 2021 8:11 PM
To: susan@townofgermantown.com; gym.keene@gmail.com
Subject: Stop town park

I, Harlan J. Ray am a resident of Germantown Township in Bayview Estates. I am against the reckless spending of all this money on park improvements and additions. They are not necessary. This township is the richest township in Juneau County. People like it the way it is and really enjoy it this way without it being too much like a huge tourist attraction. It has an away from it all, country and friendly feeling. Everyone I talk to around there do not believe your proposal is necessary or wanted. Thank you.

ISLAND LAKE
LIVES IN COTTAGE GROVE

Susan Ganther

From: scottw17@frontier.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 7:50 PM
To: Susan Ganther; gym.keene@gmail.com
Subject: Town Park

I am against the wasteful spending on the Town park project.

Sincerely,
Scott Schwartz

Susan Ganther

From: Vicki Arason <arasonv@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 6:35 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Stop the Town Park

Dear Susan,

As a homeowner in Germantown, I am against the renovation plans and the spending of the astronomical amount of money it will take to do the proposed park renovations. In my opinion, the existing park and beach area are already gems.

If money is available for recreational use, a bicycle trail throughout Germantown, possibly leading to surrounding towns and/or bicycle trails, would allow residents to bicycle safely and avoid busy state and county highways. A bicycle trail would also be a huge tourism and revenue draw.

It is disheartening to hear \$2 million is available to renovate a park when we as residents are told there is no money to get our deteriorating neighborhood roads fixed. Please reconsider spending all that money to renovate an established park.

Thank you,

Vicki Arason
N7103 Godfrey Drive
New Lisbon, WI 53950

Hi,

We live closest to the park Park not used enough to justify spending millions to get a grant .

Disk golf as we have seen in many areas in Wisconsin sit vacant and unused . the fad is over .

This is a lake community ,if nice weather people are using the lake ,if bad weather will not be disk golfing . spring .fall and winter will completely be unused .

3rd phase is not even covered expecting more grants etc . thus tax payers get stuck with it ,and in that length of time prices will go up.

Current park needs up grades ,NEW BRIDGE , MORE PICNIC TABLES ,TRAILS FOR CROSS COUNTRY SKIING AND HIKING , pet walking .

Watching wildlife and eagles is a popular activity of the few people we meet that use the park.

To attract people and families make a playground near current shelter .already have the side walks

Get a double slide , monkey bars , sand box etc., Make another smaller playground near current beach, Expanding beach is not needed will just give more boat parking for more partying

To attract people you have an ENDANGERED SPECIES HABITAT LUPINE, KARNER BLUE AND FROSTED ELFIN BUTTERFLIES.

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DON'T NEED trails for ATV , UTV in park .they can go on almost every road in area.atv routes . keep park QUIET.

FEW BIKES FREQUENT THE PARK . NO NEED FOR A REPAIR STATION.

We have never saw more than 3 vehicles in the parking area in 17 years . parking area is adequate .

We recommend you leave donated items in park and get more donations .

We would donate a bench . table . chip in on slide etc if the million dollar golf etc renovation is not done .get more donations .maybe developer of many many housing developments would donate a bridge or play ground or something.

Area across street could be made into ATV UTV trails near brush dump .LOTS OF SPACE ATV CLUBS MAY HELP WITH THAT.

NO NEED FOR SIDE WALK ON STREET FROM PARK TO TOWN GARAGE GOES NO WHERE FOR PEOPLE TO USE IT . WASTE OF MONEY .TRAFFIC PRETTY LOW PEOPLE DO WALK ON ROAD AND ALREADY PAID FOR .

LEAVE THE ONLY QUIET WOODED AREA LEFT THAT PEOPLE CAN WALK AND VIEW WILD LIFE AND EAGLES ETC. RELAX .

A LOT OF DEAD TREES NEED TO BE CLEANED UP .HAVE A VOLUNTEER CLEANUP DAY A FEW TIMES ,ITS FREE.

PARK WOULD BE AWESOME WITH NATURAL CROSS COUNTRY AND HIKING TRAILS WINDING THRU THE WOODS ETC.

PLEASE CONSIDER SOME OF THE SUGGESTIONS ON IMPROVEMENTS WITHOUT DESTROYING THE BEAUTY AND SPENDING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS

Marc and Nancy Gratiot

Susan Ganther

From: Christopher Carter <cc@approyo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2021 7:15 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Cc: gym.keene@gmail.com
Subject: New Park questions and thoughts

Good day and thank you for taking my email I do hope you take the time to read the entire email .

As an owner in the Stonegate property I received the details of what I would consider some very unique spending options of \$2,000,000 on park updates and expansion.

I'm not here too bash anyone's dreams, yet I do have some concerns .

I have been a member of the Planning Commission for the city of Hales corners and was for 12 years, I deal with budgets not only when I was with the city but also with my company which is a multi-million in revenue technology company here in the Milwaukee area. I'm very blessed with the knowledge to be able to read and understand budgets, I understand where dollars come from I also understand where people want to put dollars .

All that being said I'm coming from a position of understanding and I'd like to understand more about this park and the extension of the current park, while I see the budget activities on the documentation that been shipped around, I have concerns on who the organization that both of you belong to only received one quote for items that are 10 X the normal budget that we would find here in this area of the state .

I also have concerns on why this is needed now, why would you build a Frisbee golf course? This is one of the most useless activities of land in the open market today there are plenty of studies that show the minimal use of these facilities and the damage this activity causes to the environment. "The discs used in this sport are not your average Frisbees — they are composed of hardened plastic with dense, narrow edges and are designed to be spun over long distances at speeds of more than 70 mph. Consequently, this sport raises safety and environmental issues that should not be ignored."

The maintenance alone is not in your forthcoming budget and that's another point I'd like to bring up your budget for the future. Nor do I see an environmental impact study with the DNR, and the U.S. Forest Service.

You seem to think that just because of the growth in the Pavloski development, you will keep receiving these dollars while that's good and all relying on something that is not in hand can be very difficult to budget for, and should not be taken lightly.

I have taken a survey of 47 different people in the Stonegate community's, all but three individual never have gone to that park, and so to tell individuals and to decide that this park is needed for people of that community you are sadly mistaken. The people in that complex got to the lake not the park.

I highly recommend you and the remaining members of the board table this issue in order to get better facts , to get deeper information and to find better ways of spending these dollars, a park and additional greenspace while lovely... But during a pandemic and coming out of this pandemic is not the prudent choice to move forward.

As somebody who spends six months out of the year in my favorite city's of Germantown and Mauston & new Lisbon. I **firmly believe this is a waste of your taxpayer dollars.**

I look forward to having a conversation with any member of the board to give you deeper details from a Planning Commission standpoint as well as from a homeowner in the Stonegate complex.

I look forward to a conversation and to continue to follow this going forward as I dig into more of the open records on the conversation.

Christopher M. Carter
W5658 S. Stone Gate Dr.
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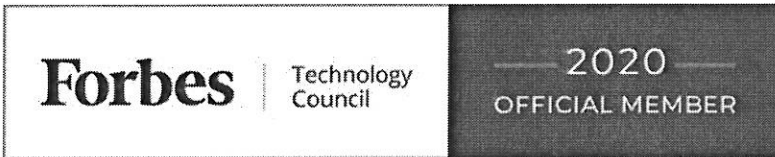
Thank you
Chris

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Susan Ganther

From: JoLynn Rihn <jorihn@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2021 8:20 AM
To: Jim Keene; Susan Ganther
Subject: RE: Against the Germantown Park

We are relatively new permanent residents here but I wasn't aware that by the park is a bike friendly roadway. In the list of improvements were bike fixing stations. I rarely see anyone riding a bike anywhere near the park.

Do they have a count of how many people have been using the park in the past?
Did they send out a survey to ask the community their opinion on what improvements/changes should be made to the park? We didn't receive anything.

How big is the park? Our son owns a disc golf company and from my understanding you need quite a few acres to put in a disc golf course. He is currently designing a course for the West Salem area.

Some improvements maybe, but not agreeing with their proposal at all. JoLynn Rihn

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From: [Jim Keene](#)
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2021 5:39 AM
Subject: Against the Germantown Park

The Germantown Chairman and Board of Supervisors have plans to recklessly spend 2+ million dollars of taxpayers money on a park. Lets STOP this needless and unwanted spending. Please email your thoughts to susan@townofgermantown.com and gym.keene@gmail.com .

Regards,
Jim Keene
Germantown Resident/Stone Gate Lake

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Susan Ganther

From: Jeanne Saliture <jeannesaliture@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2021 2:40 PM
To: Susan Ganther; gym.keene@gmail.com
Cc: Jeanne Reader Saliture
Subject: Stop The Town Park

Town of Germantown and Mr. Keene,

We as property owners in Germantown are in complete opposition of The Town Park and see it as a fiduciary mishandleing of tax payer dollars. Several of the line items were extremely excessive in costs and the long range plan for self funding of The Town Park could be a complete local tax burden, possibly even a hardship.

The anticipation on the other side of this historic Covid-19 disaster is the likeliness of skyrocketing federal tax increases not to mention an increase in state taxes, why jeopardize anyones financial well being anymore than it already has been or possibly will be.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter and please contact me if we can be of any further assistance.

Best regards,
Jeanne Saliture
312.399.5639

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3140 N. Sheffield 703
Chicago, IL 60657

Susan Ganther

From: secor77@netzero.net
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2021 6:44 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Cc: secor77@netzero.net
Subject: town park

hi , i oppose the town park project . repair beach and that is ok . thank you . r.j. gartland me.clc.

Susan Ganther

From: SelecTemp LLC HVAC/R <selectemp1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, March 19, 2021 7:53 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Park restoration

I see no reason to spend 2 million dollars on a park restoration that only benefits a few and that few are mostly non-residents (check the license plates) That money can better be spent on road repair, land clean-up, and projects that benefit the residents of this township. Let's put our residents first! Glen Schroeder N6794 16th. Ave. New Lisbon, WI 53950

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Susan Ganther

From: John <johnbarmore@wi.rr.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 9, 2021 8:12 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: RE: Park zoom 3/23

Ok, thanks.

On Mar 9, 2021 7:47 AM, Susan Ganther <susan@townofgermantown.com> wrote:

John,

I will put you on the list of people to notify when we have a zoom meeting set up closer to the meeting date. I think implementation plans will be finalized pending the results of the meeting on the 23rd.

Susan

From: John <johnbarmore@wi.rr.com>
Sent: Monday, March 8, 2021 5:19 PM
To: Susan Ganther <susan@townofgermantown.com>
Subject: Park zoom 3/23

Hi Susan,

I would like to join the park zoom 3/23, please add me. I fully support the proposal. My question is, if approved, what is the estimated timeline for phase 1 implementation?

Thanks,

Susan Ganther

From: Paul Merk <pmerkrealty@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 9, 2021 10:23 AM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Park Plans Feedback

Germantown Board,

I think the plans for the Township Park are fantastic. I support this even if our taxes do increase. It is a great addition and improvement to Germantown Township.

Thank you for working on this.

Sincerely,

Paul Merk
608-547-4884

Susan Ganther

From: musicme4@mwt.net
Sent: Tuesday, March 9, 2021 12:16 PM
To: Susan Ganther
Subject: Renovations to Germantown Park

Good morning Susan - The letter I received yesterday stated that you are looking for ideas that would help improve Germantown Park. This is what I see;

A raised, and ramped viewing platform over the existing slough (opposite the beach ADA access - mobi mat), with views of Duck Houses, and possibly a coin operated feeding station would add another ADA attraction. If you ask the Mauston High School shop class to build bird and duck houses, I'm sure they would enjoy helping out.

We would like to sit in on the virtual meeting, and would appreciate instructions on how to do that.

Sincerely,

Dick and Joan Durrett

e-mail - musicme4@mwt.net

phone: (608) 562-3787