

Amana Colonies Land Use District
Minutes of the Public Hearing
June 13, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.
Amana Heritage Society Museum Auditorium – 705 44th Ave.
And via Zoom

- I. Call Meeting to Order. Amana Colonies Land Use District Board of Trustees President Laura Kay Sheely called the Public Hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: Sheely, Moses de los Santos, Joe Parcell, Cherie Hansen-Rieskamp, Peter Hoehnle and Bruce Trumpold. Absent: Tyler Stockman.
- II. Set Agenda. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Hoehnle, second by de los Santos. Motion carried unanimously.
- III. Amana Society presentation followed by public input/questions on proposed ECO Disc Golf Course. Greg Luerkens of ASI provided the presentation on the development of a Disc Golf Course on private land owned by ASI which is east of the Amana Furniture Shop and the Millwright Hotel. He indicated they worked with consultants from Iowa State University, as well as consultant Steve Hepker (sp), who developed the Wildcat Bluff Disc Golf Course in Benton County. Mr. Luerkens provided color handouts to those in attendance showing the overlay of the 18 “hole” course, locations of footbridge, railroad track crossing, interaction with property lines, additional parking, porta-potties, lagoon, airport runways, etc. At the end of his presentation the hearing was opened to any questions that the Board of Trustees members or the public might have. The following are some of the points of discussion that were brought up:
 - Will there be a need for tree and/or brush removal?
 - Do they have any projection on the number of tourists/visitors who might use the facility?
 - How active are the railroad tracks which pass through the area?
 - Is there a need for a lighted railway crossing at the crossover point?
 - Since this is on private ASI land, will visitors/users need to register?
 - The potential of alcohol use on the property?
 - Signage and fencing regarding the sewage lagoons?
 - The land in question is in a flood plain / damage to the levees must be avoided
 - Is there potential of discs flying over Price Creek and landing on airport runways?
 - Any issues with the Army Corps of Engineers Pumping Station which is located in the area?Meeting was closed out with a general discussion about the benefits to the Amana Colonies of such a facility.
- IV. Adjourn. There was a motion to adjourn the meeting by de los Santos, second by Hoehnle. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

