

Parks Committee Meeting June 20, 2011

James Rossol called the regular monthly Parks Committee meeting to order at 6:00PM in the meeting room at the Town Hall. Present were James Rossol, Michael Meulemans, Patrick Keehan, Michael LeClair, Barbara Anschutz, Douglas Smith and 4 visitors. Sean Moroney was absent.

Clerk verified posting. Motion made/second Jim/Mike M. to accept the agenda. Carried.

Accept minutes – Motion made/second Mike M./Pat to accept the minutes. Carried.

Review Financial/Treasurer Report – Barb will be incorporating a monthly expenses report into her year-to-date report. Doug gave a rundown of the expenses for last month. Motion made/second Mike M./Mike L. to accept the Treasurer's Report. Carried.

Citizen input – None.

Discuss/decide upgrades to Kangaroo Lake Beach area – When the Town Board went on their road check, they decided the area should be cleaned up. It has been surveyed. Barb would like to see the signs moved into one area rather than spread around. As for trees, they wouldn't be taken down but rather limbed up quite a ways so people would be able to sit. Steve Parent is also looking into the possibility of putting a little break wall in place of the current cement ramp that's there. It wouldn't be a far drop, probably just a foot. There could also be access points to the sides, but it depends on what the DNR will allow. The maintenance department will start limbing the trees as soon as they have time, but the rest will have to wait on the DNR. Barb will also be adding a doggie station and garbage cans.

Discuss/decide coordination of "Bird City" program implementation – The Town Board has approved joining the program and sent it back to the Parks Committee to spearhead the project. Mike M. will take the lead on it. The next deadline for application is July 1, so we probably won't get to it this year. Steve Leonard at the Ridges is on board with the project. Mike M. will let us know when he's ready to talk about progress.

Discussion on possible future walking/biking path on the southern extension of Severn Street – This area is a plotted continuation of Severn Street, continuing from where the street ends to the south, connecting with Highway 57. This would allow easier access for walkers and/or bikers to get to the Rec. Park without having to be on the highway without a sidewalk for a distance. The time frame is undetermined, as is the budget, but Barb just wanted to make the Parks Committee aware of it so they can start coming up with ideas. The right-of-way is 50 feet. The potential path would have curves and possibly bridges over crevices.

Discuss/decide replanting of trees along south side of Anclam Park driveway – Some trees were cut down last year because they were dead. Neighbors are requesting 3 large trees be put back in the same area to block the view from the park. Jim Parent estimated

about \$1,200.00. Committee decided to wait and see what happens with the overall Anclam Park plan.

Update on Anclam Park project – Jim spoke with John Meredith about creating an agreement with the two neighbors to the north regarding the Bulkhead Line Ordinance. A first draft is created and will soon be forwarded to them. The Scenic Byway grant is in the works and the project itself was voted first in the state. We will know in the fall if it is awarded. We also have the grant from Door County Soil & Water that will pertain to the “beach clean-up” portions of the plan.

Review completion-to-date of current year budgeted items for all Town parks – The kitchen in the Rec. Park building is near completion. The bocce ball court/horseshoe pit was supposed to be done by Memorial Day. Jim feels the project should be given priority. Barb explained that the weather has pushed the maintenance crew behind, but as soon as they are caught up they can get to work on it. Sean was looking into getting the supplies, including the lumber and clay. The lumber could be purchased from Lampert’s or Van’s and the clay could be a red clay mixed with a fine gravel. Sean was going to get copies of the plans to the maintenance department. Barb will call Sean to see where everything is at.

Barb will order the swing seats for the Rec. Park

Mike L. will install the lock box at Anclam. The lids for the garbage cans are on order.

The cedar fence for Waterview Park will be coming from the Rec. Park. The signs for Lakeview and School Park are up. Picnic tables will be up at School Park as soon as a part gets here, but the grills are on hold due to costing more than thought. The power pedestal at Kendall Park will be installed in time for AutumnFest.

Recommendations for next month’s agenda – We’ll talk about the budgeted projects again, and also give an update on Anclam if available.

Motion made/second Jim/Mike M. to adjourn at 6:49PM. Carried.

These minutes are subject to correction at the next regular monthly Parks Committee meeting.

Douglas Smith
Town Clerk/Administrator