

## Parks Committee Meeting May 16, 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, Sean Moroney, Barbara Anschutz, Douglas Smith and 2 visitors. Michael LeClair was absent.

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

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

Review financial/Treasurer Report – Barb didn't have the spreadsheet available, but Lois sent her the information from the accounting software, so Barb totaled things up for the month of April. Going forward, the spreadsheet will only list detail from the last month, and then a year-to-date total. Motion made/second Jim/Pat to accept the Treasurer's Report. Carried.

Citizen input – None.

Listen to presentation by George Cobb on "Bird City" program and possibly make recommendation to Town Board – George Cobb presented information on the program, a copy of which can be found in the 2011 Minute Book, or via the program's website at <http://www.birdcitywisconsin.org>. Included in the information was the various requirements in order to be recognized as a "Bird City," most of which shouldn't be a problem for the Town to meet. Joining the program could potentially increase tourism. In 2006 in the State of Wisconsin, 2 million people were involved in birding, spending a total of \$750 million. \$12 billion is spent nationally on birding trips, with another \$82 billion spent on food and lodging. Motion made/second Jim/Sean to recommend approval of the "Bird City" program to the Town Board. Carried.

Discuss/decide repair of split rail fence at Rec. Park – One of the fences in question has been removed and replaced with boulders, which were from the old town dump (soon to be renamed). The fence/gate at the entrance of the park will be removed and the gate stored, or possibly utilized, at the new maintenance building. Boulders will also be put in place at that spot. Bob Schultz will handle the details.

Finalize bocce ball court and horseshoe pit for Rec. Park – Town Board has given the go ahead to put it in the spot the Committee chose. We'll have to keep an eye on the parking situation in the future. Plans for both the bocce ball court and the horseshoe pit can be found on the internet. Sean will find the plans and materials list and then he and Jim will meet with the maintenance employees to go over the installation next week.

Recommendations for next month's agenda – Barb is going to talk about the old boat launch on Kangaroo Beach Road which is currently used as a beach area. She will also talk about a potential walking/biking path on the south end of Town. We'll have an Anclam Park update, and also review the progress-to-date for the other Town Parks.

Motion made/second Mike/Jim to adjourn at 6:59PM. Carried.

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

Douglas Smith  
Town Clerk/Administrator