

**Minutes from the
Parks & Rec Committee Meeting
Of
February 27, 2014**

Attendees:

Trustee Richard Gust – Committee Chairperson
Trustee Larry Wells – Committee Member
Trustee Mark Ottersen – Committee Member

Tracy Miracle – Administrative Coordinator
Jon Kindseth – Administrative Services Director

Roll call was taken and the meeting brought to order at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes from the January 29, 2014 Parks & Rec Committee meeting were approved.

Discussion began regarding the Village wide ice skating on the pond near the concession stand at Founders Park. Gene suggested pulling out the aerator in the pond which would make it freeze. The Village could monitor the thickness of the ice. No one is sure what the depth of the pond is. Jon believes it is only 3-4 ft deep. Trustee Ottersen suggested checking with our insurance company to see if skating on this pond would be a liability. A “Skate at your own risk” sign would need to be installed. Trustee Wells asked that we check with Attorney Magna to see what the liability for us would be.

Park lights – Included in the packet is a proposal for LED lighting for Founders Park. 10 year full warranty included. Total price including park, Public Works outdoor lighting, water tower, and Village Hall eave lighting is \$30,000. The grant will cover approximately \$18,000 leaving the Village to pay \$12,000. Total proposal for park is \$12870.00. DCEO grant would cover approximately 50%. The Committee has asked for feedback from the Mayor regarding the types of lights that will be used. DCEO has to approve specific fixtures; Jon has chosen bronze to match the poles. There are a number of things in the budget that we are not going to do this year so the money to pay for this would come out of that. There would be no wiring change per Jon. Per the Committee, if the Mayor is ok with this then its ok to proceed.

Founders Park dugouts – J&Z submitted a proposal for dugouts at the park totaling \$12,400. Field 1 would include a 32’ long roof, including lumber and shingles: \$2,300.00. Fields 2&3 would include a 22’ long roof, including lumber and shingles: \$1950.00/roof. We received a quote from CC Construction as well. Total cost: \$11,430.00. They are willing to donate dugouts for Field 1, which would leave fields 2 and 3 for the Village to fund. Per Jon, not looking for direction this evening, just wanted to keep the Committee informed. The Jensen family would like to make a donation. A plaque was discussed, perhaps naming the field Jensen Field. Trustee Wells thinks more detailed specs should be submitted showing detailed roofing material, etc. Jon will get more information. No need to bring back to the Committee per Trustee Ottersen.

A proposal for a fence border was submitted by VM Landscaping to place mulch along the fence line where the landscaping is located at Founders Park. Mulch was placed there previously but was removed because when it rained the mulch would wash into the adjacent yards. The Committee does not see the need for mulch at this time.

Soccer Goals were planned for the park per the OSLAD grant. Original grant site plan shows 2 soccer fields. Permanent goals ruin the field per Trustee Ottersen. Trustee Wells states we should utilize non-
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permanent goals. Per Jon, there have not been many complaints regarding lack of goals. Trustee Ottersen states that if a legitimate group came in with insurance and a schedule there probably wouldn't be an issue with installing goals. They could be left in position and locked together, face to face for safety. We could chain them either to the tennis courts or near the softball diamond. The Park needs an analysis to be done this year. May incorporate this into the citizens satisfaction survey. Committee agrees with that.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Next Meeting: TBD