

**Minutes from the
Parks & Rec Committee Meeting
Of
March 24, 2016**

Attendees:

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

Jon Kindseth - Administrator
Tracy Miracle – Assistant to the Administrator
Mayor John Hucker

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

Minutes were approved from the November 3, 2015 meeting.

Discussion began regarding the gazebo dedication. This will take place after the Memorial Day event on May 30th at Founders Park. A copy of the plaque verbiage was shown to the Committee and they are in favor of the plaque dedication and when it will take place. Tracy to contact Mr and Mrs Finn and the family of Madeline Fuqua.

Jon began discussion regarding the bathrooms at Founders Park. In the past there was a porta potty on site, that was removed because of issues with vandalism. Last year Public Works staff opened and closed the concession stand bathrooms 7 days a week. Is the Committee in favor of this again this year? The bathrooms are usually open from April (weather dependent) to Halloween weekend. The Committee is in agreement that staff be utilized to open and close the bathrooms this year. The tennis court at Founders Park is underutilized and in disrepair. People are using it for what it is not intended for....does the Committee want to consider repurposing this area or pay to improve it? Some suggestions were a full court for basketball, two half courts or another pavilion. The smaller basketball court needs improvements as well. Staff will review options and bring back to Committee at a later date.

Dates for the Village-wide rummage sale will be June 24-26th with the movie in the park on Sat, June 25th (rain date: Sun, June 26th). In the past the Cambridge single family HOA has chosen the movie. Tracy will contact Jordan at Foster Premier to see if his HOA Committee would like to select this year's movie. Per Jon, he has attended a couple of HOA meetings, they are willing to work with us regarding this. Beach Park Fest will be held on Saturday, August 20th. Tracy will contact Dan Rixie regarding their involvement with the car show as it was stated that his car club had disbanded. Will confirm whether or not this is true. The Committee agreed that a \$1500 contribution for the car show will be the maximum amount funded, how it is spent is up to the car club. Tracy will make arrangements for the tent rental, go karts and petting zoo.

Residents would like a basketball court and baseball diamond at Braim Tot Lot. Jon received preliminary pricing for a ball diamond – approximately \$35,000. Trustee Wells suggests leveling out an area like a sand lot for now. Parking may be an issue. Per Mayor Hucker, could possibly utilize some space to add parking spaces. Jon stated that the SSA could partially contribute to this cost. Staff will get pricing and bring numbers back to the Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: TBD