

PARK COMMITTEE

TOWN OF HOLLAND

August 22, 2018 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Chair Kathy Warzynski, Naomi Bjergum, Brian Meeter , Sara Mumaw-Flury
EXCUSED:	Lloyd Dresen,
OTHERS:	Clerk Marilyn Pedretti; Patrick Strupp, M.C. Hoffman

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Warzynski called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Notices were properly posted.

TOWN CREW INTRODUCTIONS

Warzynski introduced Town Crew member Norman Clark who will be responsible for the Town Hall park and Country estates.

MINUTES

Motion by Meeter/Mumaw-Flury to approve the minutes of March 6, 2018. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

CITIZENS CONCERNS

Patrick Strupp, W8114 Country Avenue, spoke as a representative of the youth soccer group and wondered if the Town could develop some soccer fields. Warzynski asked what happened with using the field to the west of the Hall. Strupp noted the concern with safety as the field was too close to County Road MH.

Bjergum reported her son would like to see the rubber chips rather than wood and he would like a sledding area and slip-n-slide in the Holland Estates park.

UPDATES

- A. Replacement of park benches: Clark reported they recently replaced two at Hammes park and two in August Prairie West last fall. Discussion took place on whether the Town was in the replacement mode or if new benches would be added to parks.
- B. Spring park inspection check list: Members reviewed the updated inspection lists and Clark answered questions. Concern was expressed with the maintenance of the ballfields and expectations of the Holmen Youth Baseball Parents Association. Clark suggested purchasing a pull-behind tiller to help with weed control with the infields (budget item). Strupp noted there is a drainage issue that may require some work and a catch basin and piping.
- C. Maintenance items and wood chips: Discussion took place concerning the use of rubber chips or a rubberized mat, which would be more expensive up front but will require little to no maintenance. Discussion followed. It was the consensus to research further.
- D. Shelter #2 roof: Warzynski reported the roof replacement was completed this spring. Discussion followed concerning the drainage issue on the south side due to a sinking sidewalk. It was the consensus to research options to either replace or jack up the sidewalk.

2018 PROJECTS

- A. Wildflower Terrace Park:
- 1) Parking lot: Warzynski reported the parking lot was recently completely and noted the driveway length was increased due to the placement of the mailbox bump-out. She noted the walking trail and trees will be installed this fall.
 - 2) Park survey and UWL assistance: Warzynski reported on her contact with Laurie Harmon, UW-L, and her offer of assistance. Members reviewed the survey and discussion followed.
 - 3) Signage: Discussion followed concerning the placement of a sign and park name. Meeter suggested extra signage indicating “event parking”. It was the consensus to get input from Greg Stellrecht, the developer.
- B. August Prairie East: Meeter suggested taking down the sign if the Town was not going to maintain the area as a park. Discussion followed concerning prairie plantings. Meeter reported he and his neighbors are willing to mow if the area was smoothed out. Clerk Pedretti noted that area is designated as an outlot and there are design specifications that have to be maintained. She will contact County Land Conservation for options.
- C. Other items: Clark noted weed control was especially difficult this year with the late spring and summer heat. Discussion followed. It was the consensus to add a tiller and drag to 2019 budget discussion.

PARKING ON PARK GRASS

Warzynski gave background on a parking issue on the south side of Country Estates Park. Mary Carol Hoffman, W7814 Park Avenue, noted she lives by the park and the family involved has extra cars due to adult family members who have moved home. Discussion followed. Motion by Warzynski/Meeter that we put up three signs on the south side of the Country Estates Park that notify the residents that it is Town of Holland property and that there are to be no vehicles on grass. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

BCL IMPACT FEE

Discussion took place concerning options for how to obtain input for utilizing the one-time Environmental Impact Fee from the Badger Coulee Line (BCL) payment. It was the consensus to study this further. Motion by Meeter/Bjergum to take Items 8 and 9 and table until late September and send an invitation to Laurie [at UW-L] to come to the meeting to help develop a survey. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

RESIGNATION: DRESEN

Warzynski reported that Lloyd Dresen has offered his resignation due to health issues. She invited several residents to consider serving. Strupp noted he was interested.

FUTURE AGENDA AND NEXT MEETING

Possible agenda items: BCL fee options, 2019 budget discussion. Next meeting date scheduled for September 19th at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Meeter/Bjergum to adjourn. **MOTION** carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marilyn Pedretti, Town Clerk