

PARK COMMITTEE

TOWN OF HOLLAND

August 27, 2025, 6:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT	Chair Bob Stupi, Naomi Bjergum, Karen Durnin, Doug Klenke and Tiffany Lein
OTHERS PRESENT	David Carlson (Town Crew), Marilyn Pedretti (Town Clerk)

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Stupi called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Notices were properly posted.

MINUTES

Motion by Klenke/Bjergum to approve the minutes of May 12, 2025. **MOTION** carried.

CITIZENS CONCERNS: none given.

TOWN CREW REPORT

Town Crew David Carlson reviewed his written report and the park inspections conducted on July 25th.

2025 PARK WORK

Bike Trails: Stupi reported the Holland Bike Trail is in the real estate acquisition phase and is moving forward. He reported the County Road MH bike lane project has begun by selecting a design engineer and the next step is a scoping meeting.

Walking path: Stupi reported the path has been constructed and is well used. He noted an area that showed signs of puddling will be fixed by Mathy and that the Town crew is finishing the landscaping along the trail. Klenke reported the Van Dunk family was happy to have the path dedicated in their parents' name and he talked about possible signage options, including a QR code with access to the history. Discussion followed concerning whether to ban motorized bikes/scooters and it was the consensus to wait until the school district and Holmen develop some standards. Stupi asked if the Town should install doggie waste bags but no consensus at this time. Carlson suggested a trash can be installed on the back side of the trail. Discussion followed concerning possible bollards or rock placement to discourage vehicle traffic at the entrances, effects on snow plowing/maintenance and the options for drilling into the asphalt for signage installation. No consensus reached at this time. Klenke reported the Rotary is still interested in partnering and will work with them on possible options. Discussion followed concerning striping the trail between the shop and the shelter house to connect the path and Klenke offered his painting equipment. Stupi directed the crew to seal coat the area to freshen the look before painting.

Hammes Park driveway and lot: Stupi reported the driveway and parking area at Hammes Park were double-seal coated. Carlson reported the replacement sign has been installed.

Dresen Park equipment: Carlson reported the paint on the playground equipment cannot be sanded but needs to be sand-blasted. He provided a quote to rent and/or purchase equipment to complete the work. Discussion followed. Motion by Klenke/Durnin to have the crew complete the project not to exceed \$630 [\$210 under shop equipment and \$395 under park expenses]. **MOTION** carried.

Other park work: Pedretti reviewed the 2025 park budget line items and that approximately \$36,308 remains. Discussion followed concerning the \$40,000 allocated for equipment

replacement at the Town Hall park. It was the consensus to remove the orange climbing equipment set this fall and not replace at this time.

Discussion followed concerning an option to use the remaining 2025 funds to replace the current basketball court with a pickleball court and add a half basketball court in another area of the park. Motion by Durnin/Lein to recommend to get bids for a pickleball court and half basketball court. **MOTION** carried.

2026 PARK BUDGET

Dresen Park: Discussion took place on whether to purchase play equipment to replace the tunnel equipment removed this spring. It was the consensus to allocate \$5,000 in the budget for some type of bouncy equipment.

Hidden Prairie Park: Carlson questioned the cement circle with mulch in the middle and the clerk was directed to contact the developer for more information. Discussion followed concerning the future park at Hidden Prairie. Carlson suggested a walking trail from one end to the other. It was the consensus to hold off on installing park equipment at this time.

Budget items: Members reviewed last year's budget, noted approximately \$92,000 in powerline funds remaining and provided the following budget items:

\$ 5,000 = Dresen park equipment
 15,000 = Half court and basketball hoop (in the event the 2025 bids are over budget)
 3,000 = Wood chips
 250 = Porta potty (spring ball)
 11,300 = Wildflower Phase 3
 6,000 = Maintenance
 2,000 = Park trees
 \$42,550 TOTAL 2026 BUDGET REQUEST

Motion by Bjergum/Durnin to recommend the 2026 Park budget to be \$42,550.
MOTION carried.

NEXT MEETING: TBD as needed

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Bjergum/Lein to adjourn. **MOTION** carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
 Marilyn Pedretti
 Town Clerk