

## **PARK COMMITTEE**

TOWN OF HOLLAND

September 23, 2021, 6:30 p.m.

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	Chair Ben Filter, Naomi Bjergum (via zoom) and Karen Durnin
<b>EXCUSED</b>	Doug Klenke
<b>OTHERS PRESENT</b>	Abbey Nicewander (MRRPC), Tiffany Lein and Marilyn Pedretti, Town Clerk

## **CALL TO ORDER**

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

## **MINUTES**

Motion by Durnin/Bjergum to approve minutes of July 21, 2021. **MOTION** carried.

**CITIZENS CONCERNS:** none

## **2021 PROJECTS**

Holland Estates Ballfield project: Filter reported they are working on the ballfields but the project manager has been called out of town so progress is slow.

2021 Budget updates: Filter reported on the current status of the 2021 budget. He noted the garbage can replacement project had a set-back as the vendor who was going to provide the cans is no longer available. Filter listed some other options. Discussion followed. It was the consensus to buy five from this year's budget and the remainder in next year's budget. Motion by Bjergum/Durnin to recommend using our \$1,800 from this year's budget to purchase five garbage cans from Spectrum Machinery with the painting taken care of by our Town crew. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

Filter reported the baseball fields are seeing some damage near the back-stop area and he listed some materials that could be purchased to repair the area. Discussion followed.

Motion by Durnin/Bjergum to recommend to spend \$300 (in next year's budget) to get the lumber for the baseball field backstops and lag bolts.

Filter reported on some equipment that needs to be replaced to grade and do other trail maintenance. He reviewed a spec sheet for a "land leveler" the Town crew has recommended. Motion by Durnin/Bjergum to recommend we budget \$2,100 (in the 2022 budget) for a land leveler. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

Filter asked for input on the wood chips and general maintenance account, which had a budget of \$1,200 in 2021. Discussion followed and it was the consensus to go up to \$1,500 next year.

## **AD-HOC TRAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Filter reviewed the minutes of the August 25<sup>th</sup> Ad-Hoc Trail Development Committee. He noted they are continuing the process to seek grant money.

## **FUTURE PROJECTS**

August Prairie wildflower project: Filter reported that Brian Meeter, who was spearheading this idea, has resigned from the Park Committee due to other commitments. Discussion followed. It was the consensus to put this on hold for now.

Future parks in new subdivisions: Discussion took place on possible build out of both the Hidden Prairie park and the Wildflower Addition park. Tiffany Lein, N6855 Sand Prairie

Court, asked questions and provided some suggestions. The Clerk provided background on a UWL student project which provided four draft park plans for Wildflower park. Item held over for further discussion.

Outdoor Recreation Plan: Abbey Nicewander from the Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission (MRRPC) provided an updated Outdoor Recreation Plan and asked for input, especially as relates to the 5-10-20 year plan. Discussion followed and some suggestions were given for listing priorities from high to low.

## **2022 BUDGET**

Discussion took place concerning items to include in the 2022 park budget. Filter noted the previous approval of the backstop boards with carriage bolts and the land leveler. The Clerk reported the roofs of both the restrooms and Shelter #3 could use replacing and Shelter #1 could use new siding and repair to the concession window. An outline for the 2022 budget was given as follows:

\$ 5,000 – garbage cans/paint
400 – backstop materials
2,100 – equipment/land leveler
2,500 – shelter #3 & restroom reroofed
2,500 – Shelter #1 resided and replace concession windows
4,000 – general maintenance
<u>1,500 – wood chips</u>
\$18,000

Motion by Durnin/Bjergum to recommend the items as outlined for a total of \$18,000 for the 2022 park budget. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

## **SLED LIBRARY DONATION**

Filter reported the Holmen Area Foundation would like to donate a sled library to the Town. Pedretti explained the stand with signage and sleds would be donated to both the Village of Holmen and Town for use by any resident. Motion by Bjergum/Durnin to recommend accepting the Holmen Area Foundation donation of a sled library to the Town Hall park. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

## **FUTURE AGENDA AND NEXT MEETING**

Resignation replacement, Wildflower and Hidden Prairie parks, continue working on the Outdoor Recreation Plan. No date set for next meeting. A poll will be taken in January for an early spring meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Bjergum/Durnin to adjourn. **MOTION** carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marilyn Pedretti  
Town Clerk