



PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 20, 2021

1. **ROLL CALL:**

Members Present: Councilors Ron DeValois, Mark Wohlrab, and Nick Laninga

Staff Present: City Administrator John Williams; Parks Director Vern Meenderinck; Parks Admin. Assistant Nancy Norris; and Brent DeRuyter Park Maintenance Supervisor

2. **ACTION ITEMS:**

A. **Approval of Parks Committee Minutes- August 23, 2021**

DeValois asked for a motion to approve the minutes Wohlrab motioned to approve the August 23, 2021, minutes and Laninga approved the motion.

Action: *The Parks Committee Minutes from August 23, 2021, were approved.*

B. **Fees for park usages for 2022.**

Copy of Resolution 983 from 2018

Draft fees for 2022 Parks Committee reviewed the recommend Park Fees.

Action: *Wohlrab motioned to forward the 2022 Park Fees to City Council and recommend Council approve the 2022 Park Fees, Laninga and DeValois concurred.*

C. **Approve Professional Service Agreement**

With SCJ Alliance and forward to full council. No Action needed from Parks Committee; this was already approved by council. Final signatures are all that is needed.

D. **Draft Exclusion from Chief Taylor**

Okay to send on to legal for final review. Parks Committee reviewed the draft exclusion policy prepared by Chief Taylor and agreed to forward it on for legal review.

Action: *Councilor Wohlrab motioned to send the Exclusion ordinance for legal review, Laninga and DeValois concurred.*

E. **Signs by Ben deRegt**

Ben deRegt has already refurbished the signs at the Annex & Centennial Park, Mr. deRegt also will make new signs; but only painted not sand blasted.



Shall we have Mr. deRegt give us prices for signs for the smaller parks or do we want them sandblasted (raised letters etc.)?

Parks Committee would prefer that the Park Signs be sandblasted and Mr. deRegt do the painting. Needed Park signs include Patterson, Greenfield, Northwood Indian Jim, Dickinson, and Benson.

Mr. deRegt has offered to refurbish the Berthusen sign at the corner of Badger Rd. and Berthusen Rd. The fee for this sign is \$1100.

Action: Parks Committee asked to get quotes for sandblasted signs from North Stars Signs, Sign's Plus and the Sign Post. It was agreed to have Mr. deRegt refurbish the Berthusen Sign at the corner of Badger Rd. and Berthusen Rd.

3. **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

A. **Glennig property**

Community meeting held on Sept 16, 2021, approx. 30+ community members attended, Harlan announced the money was raised in full! Now to start planning and envisioning for the future generations. Many people made suggestions, but also took home the Planning/Suggestion form to return with their ideas.

Dave Timmer added a Comments and suggestions form to the City Website, for others to participate in adding their suggestions for this park property.

B. **Updates on Parks projects:**

Benson Park

Waiting for final contract with SKHS.

An asbestos and lead study has been completed. There is no asbestos, and some lead paint in the milking pallor.

Dickinson Park

The House will be available at the end of the month, it will be advertised for City employees first, lease price \$2000. Including leasehold excise tax, duties will include mowing the lawn and maintaining the grounds, lawnmower provided. Term 1year lease. A house inspection will be done, and the basement carpets replaced.

Set at time and date for a community meeting regarding plans for the park. The city has been contacted by several neighbors requesting information on what the plans for the park and parking etc. will be.



Parks Committee agreed to meet with the Community Oct. 7, 2021, at 6:30pm at the City Annex Council Chambers.

Depot to 8th Trail

Purchase agreement with VG Lumber for needed property, in process.

C. Succession Plan

We have 2 applications from within the City of Lynden
Interviews will take place toward the end of September.

4. ITEMS ADDED:

Review City Ordinance on camping on/in Public Parks.

Mr. Wohlrab ask that the City review its City Ordinance regarding to overnight camping in Parks and Public property.

Motorized Transportation on Trails.

With new motorized bikes and scoters skateboards etc.... Parks Committee questioned if these are allowed and if this Ordinances should be reviewed and updated?

Meeting Adjourned 5:12pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE

October 18, 2021.