

**Village of Three Oaks  
Parks & Recreation Board  
October 2nd 2023 Meeting Minutes**

**1. Call To Order**

Tyler Ream sitting in for Lindsey Clements as chair called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.  
Attendance roll call -  
Present: Ira Johnson, Marlene Kramer, Joan Brown, Ed White, Tyler Ream yes  
Absent: Lindsey Clements & Larry Shawver  
Village Manager Dan Faulkner attending.

**MOTION:** to approve the agenda and the September 11th meeting minutes

**MOTION BY:** Ed White

**SECONDED BY:** Marlene Kramer

**MOTION PASSED w/unanimous consent**

**2. Public Comment**

**3. Aidan**

Aidan informed the board via phone that we should hear about the results of our Spark grant application in the next week.

Board members discussed the proposed text for the Patronicity Grant. Joan, Ira, & Marlene agreed to meet before the next Parks meeting and prepare edits to present to Aidan.

**4. Commemorative Tree and Bench Program**

Discussion tabled until November meeting

**5. Dedication Plaque**

General discussion of the plaque & ACC.

Bryan Volstorf loved the plaque and dedication. The dedication was well attended and the 50th Apple Cider Century made for a wonderful & historic weekend in Three Oaks. Bryan gave a great speech honoring the members of the Three Oaks Spokes Club that have made the event possible for so many years.

**6. Watkins Park**

Dan informed the board that a newspaper ad for unclaimed property in the old Lions Club building has been developed with the help of Attorney Hilmer. The Village Council will vote to approve the ad at the next council meeting.

**7. Three Oaks Autumn Stroll (10-21-23)**

General discussion of the new Three Oaks Autumn Stroll. The parks board agreed to participate from 3-6pm on 10/1/23 in Chamberlain Path. Tentative plan is to provide cider or other beverages/cookies/pumpkin bread. Folks will be encouraged to bring their carved pumpkins to Chamberlain Path for a pumpkin judging contest administered by the board. Dan will make sure a few tables are available. Ira offered to make pumpkin bread squares to pass out. An email thread will be started for planning.

### **8. Chamberlain Path**

Discussion of the possibility of the alley alongside village hall becoming part of the park in the future. Ira would like to put together a plan for a rain garden and requested any drawings or measurements the village might have of the outside area.

### **9. Dewey Cannon**

Dan suggested portopots rented by the village annually for Dewey Cannon Park, Watkins Park, & the Legion baseball field should be ADA portopots going forward. There was discussion of the possibility of a permanent wooden semi-enclosure for portopots in the future.

**MOTION:** to direct the Village to rent ADA portopots for the Parks annually from here on out.

**MOTION BY:** Joan Brown **SECONDED BY:** Marlene Kramer

**ROLL CALL:** Ira Johnson yes Marlene Kramer yes Joan Brown yes Ed White yes Tyler Ream yes

**MOTION PASSED**

### **10. Carver Park**

The beams on the pavilion were sanded and shellacked. Looking good! The Village plans to have the beams inspected and serviced annually going forward.

### **11. Community Garden**

Village President Smith has spoken with Township Supervisor Mangold about the Village acquiring the land. Supervisor Mangold will be conferring with the Township Board at their next meeting and providing us with more information afterwards.

### **12. Pending Park Maintenance**

Dan & Larry are still looking into having the Dewey Cannon gazebo painted.

### **13. Manager's Report**

Trick Or Treat in the Village of Three Oaks is planned for October 28th 4-6pm. Dan invited residents of Three Oaks Township to come into town and pass out candy "trunk or treat" style during the event. He noted the village would find space for cars to park.

Dan mentioned that the village will be reviewing a renewal of Lakeshore Recycling's contract at the next council meeting as well as a zoning change for Big C Lumber to expand storage.

### **14. Board Member Remarks**

Tyler Ream mentioned he will be moving out of the Village of Three Oaks at the end of the year. The Village Council will appoint a new person to fill the remainder of his term on the Village Council. The Village President will also appoint a new Council liaison to the Parks and Recreation Board.

**MOTION:** to adjourn the meeting at 8:07pm

**MOTION BY:** Joan Brown **SECONDED BY:** Ed White

**MOTION PASSED w/unanimous consent**