

Village of Three Oaks
Parks and Recreation Committee
March 7, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Joan Brown

Roll Call Attendance:

Present: Joan Brown, Lindsay Clements, Gigi Carroll, Marlene Kramer, Tyler Ream, Larry Shawver, Ed White

Attending: Village Manager Dan Faulkner, Village President Rich Smith, Township Supervisor George Mangold.

Approval of: Minutes of the February 7 2022 , and agenda of March 7, 2022

Motion to approve by: Clements, Seconded by White. Motion passed.

Public Comment: no public in attendance

Unfinished Business

- 5 yr Parks & Recreation Plan

- Following discussion at the work session held at 6:00 pm, (with all members in attendance) further discussion of combining the village and township committees more formally, with a goal of creating an entity with a dedicated millage in 2023.

Motion by Kramer - Recommend to the Village of three Oaks Council and the Three Oaks Township Board that the Parks and Recreation Committees of both be formally combined into the: Three Oaks District Parks and Recreation Committee, with the same structure and members as at present, with recommendations concerning village parks and recreation be made foremost to the village council, and those concerning township parks to the township board. Seconded by Clements Further clarification followed. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Kramer – to recommend to village council and township board that the Master Plan 2023-2028 be a joint plan known as the Three Oaks District Parks and Recreation Master Plan 2023-2028 (subtitled) A Joint Project of the Village of Three Oaks and Three Oaks Township. Second by Ream, motion passed unanimously.

- Committee discussed writing the 5 year joint plan 'in house'. Anticipating approval: Ream and Clements are currently working on the survey and will present a draft at the April meeting. Timeline to go live with the survey: May 1. Brown and Kramer are working on the outline of the plan and will meet weekly on the descriptive. Maps and census information are available. The results of the survey will be important to identify the 3-5 major points in the plan. Community events will be held in the parks during Spring and Summer. Board is confident we can complete with minimal outside support. Target completion is September 2022.
- Carver Park:
 - Village Manager will obtain a quote for varnishing the pavilion for the April meeting.
 - Funding ideas for additional holiday lighting tabled.
- Chamberlain Path:
 - No discussion
- Dewey Cannon:
 - Dewey Cannon Park task force has not met again, waiting for DDA to source engineering on drainage.
 - The holiday lighting is still on, past the February 15 deadline as committed.

- Dillard Park:
 - Kramer and Ream have toured the Park and observed 'signs of life' in planter boxes. Kramer plans to plant additional perennials in the boxes with the thought of having starts to give away.
- Warren Plaza:
 - No longer considered a 'park'
- Watkins Park:
 - Pavilion
 - Discussion of pickle ball court / ice skating rink – shared space. Pickle ball is a priority for the park. Discussion of ice skating rink for 2023. Maintenance and cost discussed.
 - Garage Doors on pavilion: Clements provided a written quote of replacing the doors. Suggestion that they be replaced with heavy roll up canvas type with hold downs. Smith and Mangold have seen these in another town recently. Committee agrees that is a nice solution. Suggestions to remove the broken doors for the time being. There may be scrap value. **Motion** by Carroll to request council to have the doors removed as soon as possible. Second by Shawver. Motion passed.
- Township Report
 - No further report. Discussions under 5 year master plan
- Signage:
 - Ream provided examples of signage used by Chikaming Township. Committee liked, and will get the police chief's input on the sign. Committee will review the village ordinance for continuity as well.

New Business:

- Watkins Park. Discussion on a plaque on the Pavilion acknowledging a Bryan Volstorf's contribution and efforts in making Watkins Park, Hoadley Trail possible. **Motion** by Brown to dedicate the pavilion/shelter at Watkins Park as "Bryan Volstorf Pavilion In appreciation for the vision of Watkins Park and Hoadley Trail. Seconded by Kramer. Requested that the dedication be held Flag Day weekend a notable weekend notable for the Three Oaks High School Class reunion with many former residents home. Objections to the timing. Vote: 4 no, 3 yes. Motion failed.
- Carroll would like planters/planting around pavilion. Kramer suggested donated smaller pots. These would need to be maintained by volunteer committee for 2022. Discussion on agenda for April Meeting.

Manager Comments:

- Steve Olson has been hired for village mowing and watering of planters on the street.

Public Comment:

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion to Adjourn at 8:09 pm by Clements, seconded by Shawver. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Joan Brown

Meeting Dates 2022:

April 4, May 2, June 6, July 11, Aug 1, Sept 12, Oct 2, Nov 7, Dec 5