

**VILLAGE OF HARTLAND
PARK AND RECREATION BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2017
7:00 PM
Board Room
210 Cottonwood Avenue, Hartland, WI**

Present: Tina Bromberger, Mike Cottrell, Peggy Kallenberger and Dick Landwehr.

Excused: Curt Gundrum, Tim Hallquist and Duane Lawson.

Others Present: DPW Director Einweck and Recreation Director Yogerst.

Motion to nominate a Chairperson Pro-Tem for tonight's meeting in the absence of Chairperson Hallquist.

Motion (Kallenberger/Landwehr) to nominate Tina Bromberger as Chairperson Pro-Tem for tonight's meeting. Carried (4-0).

7:00 PM Call to Order

Public comments for those items not included on this agenda (Please be advised per Wisconsin Act 123, the Park Board will receive information from the public for a three minute time period, with time extensions per the Park Board Chairman's discretion, per person, be it further advised that there may be limited discussion on the information received, however, no action will be taken under public comments.) – NONE.

Approval of Park and Recreation Board Minutes for May 1, 2017

Motion (Cottrell/Kallenberger) to approve the Park and Recreation Board Minutes for May 1, 2017. Vote (3-0-1). Landwehr abstained. Motion did not pass.

Motion (Kallenberger/Cottrell) to table until the next meeting approval of the Park and Recreation Board Minutes for May 1, 2017. Carried (4-0).

Recreation Director Items

- **Presentation by Recreation Director Yogerst and possible consideration of Hometown Celebration and 125th Anniversary Nixon Park Activities in Nixon Park on July 1, 2017**

Kelli Yogerst described the Hometown Celebration events for June 30, July 1, and July 2, 2017. A change from previous years is that it is the Village's 125th Anniversary this year and the Rotary will not be holding their beer and food festival as they had done the last few years.

This year, on June 30, there will be arts and crafts vendors, the Hartland Community Band Concert, fireworks at 9:30 PM and live music afterwards by Montage.

Saturday, July 1 activities consist of a Family 5K Run/Walk, bounce houses, arts and crafts vendors, a history walk, a pie baking contest, old fashioned games, hands on experiences, popcorn and ice cream social by Hartland Fire, old time music and Endter's Beer Garden. We are looking for volunteers to help out throughout the day. Proceeds from the pie contest will go to the Hartland Food Pantry.

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Sunday, July 2 at 1:30 pm will be the Hometown Celebration Parade.

No action was taken.

- **Update and possible consideration regarding the Jack Sullivan kiosk project in Nixon Park**

Jack Sullivan's project has changed. The Boy Scout Council Board that reviewed the project felt that the project Jack originally presented would take too much adult involvement, not enough leadership from Jack and not enough participation from fellow boy scouts. At a previous meeting, he had presented as an alternative, a two sided panel with a bench and a roof, which was a simpler version of his initial project. After a discussion with Jack and staff, it was decided to construct the alternative project at Centennial Park instead of Nixon Park. The cement footing installation will require adult assistance.

No action was taken.

Director of Public Works Items

- **Discussion of possible Capital Improvements Plan projects for the next biennium**

CIP projects are those valued at \$5,000 or more.

Projects discussed at the last meeting for 2018 – 2019 were the CORP Study, Nixon pond dredging, repairing Nixon Park tennis courts, Nixon Park field reconstruction and building a batting cage at Centennial Park. A potential project is a shelter at Centennial Park. Because it's a new project, it could be funded by incoming impact fees from the new developments.

It was suggested that the batting cage be built this fall, if possible. Staff met with Arrowhead today and they are willing to give us some of the turf from their football field. The only problem is that there are rubber particles in the turf and they don't want the rubber particles dumped at the site. The weight of the turf is two or three times as much because of the rubber particles and we would have to dispose of those rubber particles. Staff would have to check if the particles can stay in the turf or not.

At this point there have been no contributions from outside sources for the batting cages or the Nixon field reconstruction.

There was discussion about the condition of the playground equipment in the parks. Tina Bromberger will do some research for the next budget in two years regarding possible updating of the playground areas and equipment.

There were no further additions to the CIP list.

It was discussed that it has been a number of years since the Park Board, together as a group, has visited all of the parks. It was suggested that the Board do this in the future. At the next meeting, when more members are present, there should be discussion regarding choosing a date and scheduling a visit to the parks.

- **Discussion of 2016 Vandalism Report**

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The report from DPW Supervisor Jambretz listed one incident of spray painting on the Castle Park path that was removed by Premier Blasting for \$175.

- **Discussion and possible consideration of a request from Trustee Wallschlager to install a basketball court in Nixon Park**

Trustee Wallschlager was not present, but Mike Einweck has spoken to her regarding this item and her email regarding this subject is in the Park Board packet.

Ms. Wallschlager feels that there is an older child population that is lacking activities in the Village. For the teenage group, she thought that a basketball court would be a good use of recreational activities. The Village used to have a basketball court in Nixon Park where the splash pad is now. When the basketball court was there, the Police Department had complaints of fights, drugs and criminal damage to property stemming from use of the courts. Deputy Police Chief Collura reported that the amount of calls for juvenile problems in the park have dropped off. Complaints now are mainly parking issues due to people using the splash pad. Over the last year comments have been favorable and the splash pad is seen as a positive change.

The Village has a full court at Hartbrook Park, a full court at Penbrook Park and a half court at Joliet Park. The schools have basketball courts as well. There has been vandalism with people cutting down the nets on the basketball hoops. Chain nets are not allowed.

Considering the discussion that has taken place tonight, Mike Cottrell stated that he is not in favor of going forward with the basketball court idea for Nixon Park. He felt no further discussion was needed. The Park Board felt there are enough basketball courts within close proximity of Nixon Park for people to use. With the success of the splash pad and where Nixon Park has gone, the board does not want to revert back to the prior situation with the significant police reports.

Dick Landwehr suggested that the Park Board send their recommendation back to the Village Board for their review.

With the limited funds available for use in the parks, the Board did not see a need for an additional basketball court. A quick internet check showed that a basketball court would cost approximately \$25,000 to build.

Motion (Cottrell/Kallenberger) to recommend to the Village Board that based on the current data and information that the Park Board has been provided from the DPW and the Police Department, at the current time, it is not necessary to move forward with replacing the basketball court in Nixon Park due to the success of splash pad and the fact that we have numerous courts available to the public. Carried (4-0).

Announcements: It is not contemplated that these matters will be discussed or acted upon. The following individuals may provide announcements: Park and Recreation Board Members or other Village Staff members

This Thursday is our first Thursday night concert. The band is the Whiskey Belles and it is also the grand opening of the Beer Garden.

Dick Landwehr asked what the Village will do about the Centennial Football field that the pictures in the board packet show as being damaged. Mike Einweck and Mike Gerszewski met with the field caretaker from Arrowhead, Mike Mueller, and they

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discussed areas that will need sod, aerating and slit seeding (with a 50-50 grass mix (a rye that comes up first and then the perennial grass would come in). If the seeding doesn't take hold, they would go to sodding because there is a use in the fall for football. The field use agreement requirements address not using the fields when they are wet. Unfortunately, Arrowhead lacrosse had a double header game when the field was wet. The agreement had stated use for only games, but the lacrosse coach had the team use the field for practices as well, which unfortunately conflicted with the Recreation Department program scheduled on that field. Kelli Yogerst had to cancel a couple of her programs because the lacrosse players were already on the field and she didn't realize she could ask them to leave because they had not reserved or paid for those days. As part of their agreement, AHS will pay for the repairs and also the days they used the field that had not been reserved previously. Mr. Einweck encouraged all the Park Board members to go out to Centennial Park during and after the restoration phase and make a decision as to if lacrosse should be allowed to use the field next year.

It was asked if the restoration will be able to "take" by the time the field is needed for football season. Sod will be used if the seed does not take. The Village will have to re-evaluate before football starts to see if the field is playable with the repairs. AHS will try to start this week with the restoration. Football starts the end of August.

Using the field when they had not reserved it was brought up to Arrowhead. They said the coach was not aware of that situation. The biggest concern was that the Village had to cancel our programs for them. The Park Board needs to consider these things for next year and for the possible renewal of the agreement.

Adjourn

Motion (Cottrell/Kallenberger) to adjourn. Carried (4-0). Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted by
Recording Secretary,

Lynn Meyer
Deputy Clerk