

**ARLINGTON PARKS COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA
AUGUST 22, 2016 @ 5:45 P.M.**

Park Tours (Meet at the Community Center at 5:45 pm to car pool):

- A) Tree Inventory - Karen Zumach, Tree Trust
- B) Evaluate Play Equipment
 - 1. *Sportsman's Park*
 - 2. *Four Seasons Park*
 - 3. *Frenzel Park*
 - 4. *Fairview Park*
 - 5. *Memorial Park*

Return to the Community Center for Regular Meeting @ 7 pm:

- 1. Call Meeting to Order/Roll Call
- 2. Approve Agenda
- 3. Approve:
 - A) July 25th Minutes
- 4. New Business
 - A) Memorial Bench & Tree Program
- 5. Old Business or Updates
 - A) School Football Field Lights Repurpose at Sportsman's Park – Voigt
 - B) Play Equipment – 2017 Budget & CIP
 - C) Trees
 - 1) Review Inventory from Tour
 - 2) Schedule for Planting/Removal of Trees/Shrubs
 - D) Metering of Lights at Parks for Events - Voigt
- 6. Other
- 7. Next Regular Meeting: September 26th @ 7 pm
- 8. Adjourn

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The following individuals met at the Arlington Community Center for the tour of the parks and meeting: Al Ihrke, Bob Thomes, Karan Pichelmann, Jim Pederson, Gary Hultgren, Maintenance Supervisor Tony Voigt and Councilmember Ben Jaszewski. Guest: Mayor Richard Nagel, Karen Zumach from Tree Trust (who toured the parks only with the group). Unable to attend was Jerry Ebersviller.

1. Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ihrke at 7:38 P.M.
2. Approve Agenda: Pichelmann made a motion to approve the August 22nd Agenda, Thomes seconded the motion, approved by all.
3. Approve minutes of July 25, 2016 meeting: Hultgren made a motion to approve minutes, Pederson seconded the motion, approved by all.
4. New Business:
 - (A) Memorial Bench & Tree Program: Ihrke had brought up the idea that maybe individuals would like to donate a bench as a memorial to add to the parks. If someone would like to do a bench at the Memorial Park, they would have to contact the VFW first to see what kind they would prefer, since most of the items in this park are sponsored through the VFW. It was suggested to create a list of approved benches/trees for individuals to choose from who are interested in making a memorial donation. It was later decided to stick to one kind of a bench style and let the tree expert, Karen Zumach, decide which trees are needed in the parks. Voigt will continue to look at costs of benches.

It was noted that the Park Board as a whole did not look at the park equipment while touring the parks. However, a couple of the members did look at some of the equipment and indicated that the Frenzel Park equipment was in the worst condition. Committee was hopeful that funding would come along to help with the replacement of the equipment. At Four Seasons Park, a block/paver by the flag base was not secured and the shelter panels look tough. Staff will look at and see what can be done to fix this in the future. The blacktop looks really great at the Fairview Park.

5. Old Business or Updates:
 - (A) School Football Field Lights Repurpose at Sportsman's Park: Voigt let Bob Pichelmann (at school) know the City would be interested in the field lights, but would have to find out the cost of electrical and cement work needed for this project.
 - (B) Play Equipment – 2017 Budget & CIP: Staff is working on trying to get more funding in the budget.

(C) Trees

(1) Review inventory of trees (in parks) was done during the tour. Discussed the kind of trees that are needed to replace the older trees that will someday die; there are a number of trees that need to be cut down.

(2) Schedule for Planting: No plans yet, Karen Zumach suggested mid-fall (October) and she will get a hold of Adm. Donabauer to schedule a date.

(D) Metering of Lights at Park for Events: Voigt had some questions about electrical metering and who should be responsible. Mayor Nagel will talk to the police about the lights out at Four Seasons Park.

6. Other: Mayor Nagel mentioned that the Lions' grant for the Senior Building at Four Seasons Park has been approved. The next step is to get the necessary paperwork from the Lions and bring it to the City Council for final approval; then the contractors can be notified and the work can start. There was concern about the use of the facility as the warming house during the winter while the renovation is going on. The grant from the Lions International is in the amount of \$35,000 and the Lions Club from Arlington and Green Isle are putting in \$35,000 and the City had previously approved an amount of \$24,000 to be used towards the project.

7. Next Regular Meeting: Monday, September 26th at 7:00 P.M.

8. Adjourn: Pederson made a motion to adjourn, Thomes seconded, approved by all. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Alan Ihrke, Chairperson

Karan Pichelmann, Secretary