

**ARLINGTON PARKS COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA
APRIL 27, 2015 @ 7:00 P.M.**

Park Tours (Meet at the Community Center at 5:00 pm to car pool):

1. *Sportsman's Park*
2. *Four Seasons Park @ 5:30 (take little extra time at this park to look over the Senior Citizens Building)*
3. *Frenzel Park @ 6:00*
4. *Fairview Park @ 6:15*
5. *Memorial Park @ 6:30*

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

1. Call Meeting to Order/Roll Call
2. Approve Agenda
3. Approve March 23rd Meeting Minutes
4. Monthly Financial Report
 - A) March 2015
5. New Business
 - A) Sibley Serve (May 22nd) – Al Ihrke
 - B) Lions Donation – Bob Thomes
 - C) Bench Donation for Prairie Line Trail
6. Old Business or Updates
 - A) Combating Vandalism
 - 1) 'Adopt-A-Park'
 - 2) Information on Preventing Vandalism (American Trails Article & LMC Workshop attended by Voigt)
 - B) Remaining Improvements – Sportsman's Park for 2015
 - C) Preliminary Plan 2016 Improvements @ Senior Building/Four Seasons Park
 - 1) Maintenance Supervisor Voigt to start obtaining estimates for Budget
 - D) Farmers' Market
7. Other Business/Updates
 - Tree Planting Ceremony (For Arbor Day) – May 22nd @ 8:25 am - 9:40 am
8. Next Regular Meeting: To be Determined @ 7 pm - May 25th/Memorial Day Holiday
9. Adjourn

<p>THERE MAY BE A QUORUM OF THE CITY COUNCIL AT THIS MEETING. NO OFFICIAL ACTION WILL BE TAKEN.</p>

**ARLINGTON PARKS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 27, 2015 @ 7:00 P.M.**

Following individuals met at the Arlington Community Center for the “tour of the parks”: Al Ihrke, Bob Thomes, Karan Pichelmann, Jerry Ebersviller, Jim Pederson, Gary Hultgren, Maintenance Supervisor Tony Voigt, Councilmember Ben Jaszewski, Councilmember Jim Heiland and Mayor Rich Nagel. Councilmember Heiland left after the tour was over. Guests for the 7:00 meeting were Eunice Rucks and Dan Hislop from the Arlington Lions.

1. Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ihrke at 7:05 P.M.
2. Approval of Agenda – Item 5B) Lions Donation, was moved up on the agenda as the next item to follow the approval of the minutes. Thomes made a motion to approve the agenda with the change, Ebersviller seconded the motion and approved by all.
3. Approval of March 23, 2015 meeting minutes – Thomes made a motion to approve the minutes, Ebersviller seconded the motion and approved by all.
- 5B. New Business, Lions Donation – The Arlington Lions made a donation in the amount of \$5,000 to be used for the Sportsman’s Park project. A check was presented by Rucks and Hislop to Ihrke and Thomes. A picture was taken for the newspaper.
4. Monthly Financial Report – Voigt indicated that he had not gotten any prices for the picnic tables yet. Thomes asked the Mayor and Jaszewski to clarify what the funds within the Park Dedication Fund can actually be used for again. It was noted that the Committee would like to see a breakdown of the total donations received for the Sportsman’s Park and compare it with the total expenses paid to date. Report looked really good.
5. New Business –
 - A. Sibley Serve (May 22nd) – Ihrke commented on a new program the school was implementing. He stated that the senior class will be gone that day for their senior trip and the school was looking to see what the sophomores and juniors could do as community projects for that day. Voigt had some ideas and would get back to Ihrke. If any other Board Member had something, they were to let Ihrke know. This will also be mentioned in the newspaper.

- C. Bench Donation for Prairie Line Trail – It was questioned what kind of bench this might be. It was suggested that the bench be the same as what are in the parks. Pederson made a motion to pay for a small apron on the trail for the bench. Thomes seconded the motion and approved by all. No consensus was reached as to where the bench should be placed; it was decided to leave the location up to the County Public Works, as they would know where the proper placement would be. A suggestion was made to place it by the creek.
6. Old Business or Updates –
- A. Combating Vandalism –
1. Adopt a Park – Ebersviller made a motion to approve this program, Pederson seconded and approved by all. The first family that indicated that they would adopt a park is the Danner (police chief's) Family. This will also be put on the city website.
 2. Information on Preventing Vandalism – Voigt shared what was discussed at the workshop he attended. They made a point to keep ahead of any damage done (vandalism) to city property. Officer Danner is looking at some type of cameras to post at various locations to see who the individuals are that destroy things.
- B. Remaining Improvements – Sportsman's Park for 2015 –
- Voigt is still looking at prices for picnic tables. New bleachers will be placed right behind the backstop. Voigt did not have prices for a three row bleacher yet and will check to see how many he can get for \$5500 that is in the budget. Voigt still getting bids for the fencing.
- C. Preliminary Plan 2016 Improvements @ Senior Building/Four Season Park –
- Voigt plans to ask Haggemiller Lumber for a name of contractor to see what needs to be totally done in the building and breakdown each area by cost (specifically ceiling, doors, and lights). It was suggested to check to see if there is a possibility of any grant money to help out with the expense since the \$10,000 (allowed in the budget) will not go far for the repairs.
- D. Farmers Market – No one wants to take on this project. It was suggested to maybe send a notice out with the utility bills to see if anyone is interested in trying/attempting to see if they could get the project off the ground.
7. Other Business/Updates – Tree planting ceremony May 22nd @ 8:25 a.m. (this day will be our Arbor Day celebration). Voigt is still looking at what kind of trees to plant and has a friend who is in the nursery business. He would like to have a variety of healthy growing trees that don't get sick fast.

8. Next Regular Meeting – Tuesday, May 19th @ 7:00 P.M. (Memorial Holiday on 5-25)
9. Adjourn – Ebersviller made a motion to adjourn, Pederson seconded and approved by all. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Alan Ihrke, Chairperson

Karan Pichelmann, Secretary