

**PARKS COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA
AUGUST 9, 2018 AT 6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Agenda:

1. Review 2018 Budget and CIP List
2. Develop 2019 budget request for the Council.

Adjourn

**ARLINGTON PARKS COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 9, 2018**

Arlington Community Center – Council Chambers

The following individuals met for the special budget meeting: Al Ihrke, Bob Thomes, Karan Pichelmann, Walt Allison, Gary Hultgren and Maintenance Supervisor Kirby Weckworth. Not able to attend: Jerry Ebersviller and Councilmember Ben Jaszewski.

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ihrke at 6:11 P.M.

The purpose of the meeting was for the Board to think of ideas for the budget in 2019 and also include a list of projects for CIP.

Memorial Park Gazebo was being completed. Maintenance Supvr. Weckworth commented that the new watering hydrant for the Garden Club would be coming out the Parks budget. He commented that he would like to see some type of water (drinking fountain) in all the parks (Sportsman's and Four Seasons). It was agreed to look into water fountains for the parks and see if the Healthy Living Funds could be used to pay for them.

There was some discussion about the Maintenance Dept. purchasing a new pickup and the cost being split between the Parks and Public Works budgets. The Committee did not recall having to set money aside for a truck. The only money being set aside (in the CIP) was for a skid loader. Weckworth noted that there were some items in the CIP that previous staff had wanted/planned for purchase in 2018. Weckworth did not feel they were necessary and the funds could be put to better use (a truck).

Discussion was held on purchasing additional picnic tables for this year yet. Weckworth stated that he was working on it through the State Bid process. Thomes suggested possibly donating the wooden tables to the Fair Board.

Brief discussion was held on what should be done with the bleachers at the Sportsman's Park; to repaint or replace them. Weckworth will check on the status of the storage shed for the Sportsman's Park.

Weckworth will check to see if the Healthy Living Funds can be used for the bleachers and reimbursement for the purchase of the new slide at Frenzel Park.

2019 list of ideas:

- Water fountains in parks and use the Healthy Living Funds;
- Check on cow mats for the swing sets to protect all the digging down by the swings;
- Replacing fascia/soffit at Four Seasons shelter. Weckworth will check with Haggemiller Lumber to see what other items could be done for the replacement;
- Fairview Shelter in the CIP;
- Landscaping around the Memorial Park Gazebo;
- Picnic tables – CIP for another 5 years (to make sure all parks have new ones);
- Mulch;
- Lawnmower (CIP/2020);
- Additional Part-Time summer help (shared with Public Works and Cemetery);
- New play equipment in the parks (CIP).

Dog Park – hot issue. Discussion was held about possible locations, size of park and fencing that would be needed. Board said “no” to this idea in any of the parks or outdoor ice rink.

Some discussion was held on the meeting schedule/time. The Committee prefers to meet at 7 pm and more often (not quarterly).

Thomes made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Allison, approved by all. Meeting was adjourned at 7:43 P.M.

Al Ihrke, Chairperson

Karan Pichelmann, Secretary