Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes Wednesday, December 13, 2017 Owen Fire Hall

Called to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll call: Bob Wilczek, Rick Nelson, Charlie Milliren, Tim Swiggum, Rocky Lehr and Mike Renderman. Absent was Lonnie Kroeplin. Also present were Erik Stinson and Sandy Deacon.

Minutes: The minutes from the September 19, 2017 meeting were presented. Unfortunately these were the wrong minutes and we will have to approve them next time.

Trails update:

The committee feels it is important to gather feedback from the DNR and plan to try again in May.

Crowley Park Equipment:

Rocky Lehr has spoken to some Mennonites who are unable to do this. Rocky has another potential lead that he will speak to about equipment. Disc Golf was mentioned, it had been discussed before and more information should be looked into. It would be great to expand and improve the bathrooms with an addition of showers. Swiggum will see if there are grants available. Expanding the number of campsites was discussed. One tree makes it extremely difficult for campers to make the turn on the camp road.

Dog Park:

Many people have expressed support for a dog park. Finding a location is the first step. It was reported that the Will Maki Foundation has shown interest in being a sponsor. Along the trail by the school was mentioned as a potential location, Mayor Milliren will inquire at the school to see if they are interested. Mike Renderman will talk to Makis to guage their interest.

Millpond and Kerry Parks:

A rung on one of the ladders is broken. Erik Stinson will look at it and take care of it.

Egg Oiling:

We need to ensure that we continue to oil eggs to keep the population down. We had agreed in the past that this would be an annual thing. Erik Stinson will take care of this each year with the help of the clerks office. Wolf decoys that blow in the wind were discussed. Goose control will be on the next agenda.

Future agenda items:

Goose control.

Adjourn:

A Renderman/Milliren motion/second to adjourn at 7:51 passed unanimously.

Submitted by Tim Swiggum