Parks and Recreation Committee

Minutes Wednesday, February 13, 2019 Owen City Hall

Called to order at 6:00 pm. By Chairman Wilczek

Roll call: Bob Wilczek, Rocky Lehr, Lonnie Kroeplin, Tim Swiggum, Charlie Milliren, Rick Nelson and Joan Jalling.

Others present. Art Feldman, Harold Laube, Dennis Lulloff, Carol Devine and Cindy Cardinal, O-W Enterprise.

Approve Minutes from Aug. 8 and November 7, 2018:

A Kroeplin/Lehr motion and second to approve the minutes as presented was approved unanimously.

Crowley Park: Bathrooms

Wilczek reported on the bathroom plan. Lester Brubacher arrived with a drawing and specifications with an estimate of \$28,000 for the project. The building is in good shape but would need a gut and remodel though to bring it up to code with ADA. It needs a new roof, and would have 2 unisex shower rooms all with separate entrances. A utility room with tankless water heater was also included. The building would be expandable in the future if plans arise.

Due to the estimate being over \$25,000 it will need to be put out for bids. Nelson stated that he feels the money should be used for projects at the Millpond Park rather than the campground. The representatives from Owen Public Housing assured the committee that this is where they would like to invest their money and it will leave some room for other projects as well.

A Kroeplin/Swiggum motion and second to recommend to the council to advertise for bids and provide specification sheets to those that are interested in bidding passed unanimously. Wilczek will get on the ad right away.

Ball Diamond:

Investment into the ball diamond was discussed. Next projects would include the dugouts (benches) and a new backstop would be approximately \$5,000. Discussion on the merits of investing in this ball field when the school and Withee have ball fields already. It was also discussed the potential of using the Owen Public Housing funds to pay for this as well. It was decided to take one project at a time.

A Kroeplin/Jalling motion and second to table the ball diamond improvements passed unanimously.

Dog Park:

Due to time constraints on the meeting the dog park was not discussed. It was mentioned that it would be good to have the Maki Foundation members present for that discussion.

Next Meeting: Not scheduled at this time.

Adjourn: Wilczek adjourned the meeting at 6:57

Submitted by Tim Swiggum