

Parks and Recreation Committee  
Minutes  
Wednesday, May 2, 2018  
Owen City Hall

Called to order at 7:00 pm. By Chairman Wilczek

Roll call: Bob Wilczek, Lonnie Kroepflin, Charlie Milliren, Tim Swiggum, Rick Nelson and Mike Renderman. Absent was Rocky Lehr. No others present.

**Minutes:** The minutes from the 4/11/18 meeting were presented. A Milliren/Renderman motion and second to approve the minutes passed unanimously.

**Trails Grant Update:**

Wilczek reported that the council had approved the resolution for the grant application. Swiggum reported that the grant was sent in on time. Last year the grant had a draft copy of the county plan which might have not been acceptable. This year things feel much better.

**Crowley Park Equipment:**

Wilczek reported that the council has approved spending \$5,000 for play equipment for Crowley Park. Nelson stated he prefers they not be wood and that a steel or composite would last much longer. If equipment is found the committee will be reached by text to offer a vote on any equipment that would be available. Mosquito control was also discussed and the desire for a campground page with registration potential.

**Dog Park:**

Discussion was held about the location of the Dog Park. Too close to the tracks would likely bother the dogs. The ballpark location was put on hold as there is renewed interest in rehabilitating the ball park. We will continue to look for a suitable location.

**Millpond and Kerry Parks:**

Horseshoe Pits will be built this weekend by Jeff Hurlbaas and Beth Dreimueller. The band pavilion should have some kind of ceiling installed, steel was discussed, to keep the birds from nesting up there. It is possible the O-W Lions will donate to this type of project as it would help keep the heat in during the Ice Fishing Contest. For the next meeting it would be good to have the cost of electric for the concession stand and band pavilion. Wolf decoys were discussed as a potential goose deterrent. Wilczek will look into the costs for next meeting.

**Future agenda items:**

Rental rates for the concession, bandstand and pavilions. Walking tour of the parks.

**Adjourn:**

A Swiggum/Kroepflin motion/second to adjourn at 7:51 passed unanimously.

Next meeting will be held on June 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.

Submitted by  
Tim Swiggum