

**Village of Marshall
Parks Committee Minutes
Monday, May 7, 2012**

Chairperson Hensler called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Members Present: M. Hensler Jr., B. Arnold, J. Cripps, C. Diedrick, E. Lemke, J. Stransky. Members Absent: S. Tweed Others Present: M. Shepler – Village Board, Matt Hendricks – Parks & Recreation Coordinator, and Shawn Korth – Administrative Assistant.

1. Recreation Director Report: Discussion: Mr. Hendricks handed out his monthly recreation report to the committee and those attending. He highlighted summer programs that were being offered and reminded the committee of key dates. Mr. Hendricks listed off a number of programs that will continue to be offered from previous years, and also discussed the addition of disc golf based programs that will be offered this summer going into fall.

Mr. Hendricks gave a brief update on each park within the village and what is being done. He provided information on the progress of the Lion's Park and Converse Park renovations. All are moving forward smoothly and hopefully will be functional by fall. The Converse Park renovations may not be ready until next spring due to grass being seeded.

2. Review/Update on 2012 action plan. Mr. Hendricks addressed the 2012 action plan in his Recreation Director Report with updates.
3. Update on Madison Community Foundation grant. The Village of Marshall was awarded \$15,000.00 next year to update Converse Park and continue with phase two of the Converse Park project. The only catch is the Village has to match the \$15,000.00 in order to receive that money. Mr. Hendricks wants to achieve this by earning the money through programs and special events. He asked the committee to brain storm and come up with different ideas they feel would help raise the money. He added that this grant money plus the money matched by the Village would be close to enough to finish the project in its entirety.
4. Site visit of potential dog park area. While out at Deerhaven Park, the committee walked across the street from the Park to behind the Public Safety Building and the possible sight of Marshall's Dog Park. While there, the committee discussed what it would cost to construct and maintaining a dog park at that site. Funding the park was also a part of the discussion the idea of adding a small fee to dog licenses maybe a way to earn money for the park, as those would be the people using the park. The committee thought that the site was a good spot for a park of this nature and asked Mr. Hendricks to produce some money figures for the next meeting, as well as look into if funding the park through dog license fees was possible to do.

IDENTIFICATION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

A motion was made by Cripps and seconded by Lemke to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 6-0-1 (Tweed Absent)

Adjournment 8:24pm.

Submitted by,

Shawn Korth
Administrative Assistant