

**VILLAGE OF MARSHALL
PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES
August 5, 2013**

Chairperson Hensler called the Parks committee meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Cripps, Stransky, Lemke, B. Arnold and Hensler. Others present: Recreation Director Hendricks and Blake Theisen and Ryan Garcia from SAA Design Group.

1. Review of Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP) from SAA.

Mr. Theisen and Mr. Garcia gave an overview and update on the progress of the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. They reviewed the survey results explaining the strengths and weaknesses that were pointed out. 105 responses were received from the online survey which is about 2.5%. They would like to see twice that many or up to 4%. They stated that the village community parks are slightly lower than the national standard. The committee discussed ideas from the responses that were given. Mr. Hensler talked about the twenty seven acres the village owns and the possibilities there. Mr. Stransky talked about the lot by Little Amerika. The committee discussed the possibility of acquiring Riley-Deppe Park, a community center, connecting existing parks, expanding the skate park and beautifying the existing parks to attract people. The committee still wants to set the standard to be higher than average. Mr. Theisen and Mr. Garcia will start to put all these ideas together and report back to the committee sometime in September or October.

2. Park and Recreation Director report.

Mr. Hendricks passed out options for the new logo. The options were looked at and discussed. The committee was in consensus to go with the earth tones for the color pallet, the word grow with the tree picture in one of the squares and the baseball/softball player in the "Play" square.

Mr. Hendricks gave an update on Firemen's Park. Stating that Fireman's Park playground was inspected by the Villages Risk Management/Insurance representative and the playground now meets the standards. He also noted that the ground breaking for the Converse Park project will be Tuesday, September 3, 2013. In addition he shared that the Langer Park shelter has been rebuilt, and it is now bigger and was completed ahead of schedule.

IDENTIFICATION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

Having no further business a motion was made by Stransky and seconded by Cripps to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Michelle Murphy
Village Clerk