

**VILLAGE OF MARSHALL
PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES
FEBRUARY 29, 2016**

The Parks Committee meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by acting Chairperson Diedrick. Member present: Tweed, Lemke, Diedrick, Stransky and Peters were present. Stein, Grossman, Timpel, and Hensler were absent. Others present: Brandon Millner and Sue Peck-Administrator.

1. Consideration on revised Park Event Fee Structure. Rec Coordinator Millner presented a listing of fees to be charged for park use. Only major change was vending fees. The previous fees were based off City of Madison fees and it didn't seem to work for Marshall. Mr. Millner proposed lowering the vending fees. He feels these are more realistic numbers. Most of the time the vendors probably won't be from Marshall.

For 2017 he would like to change the athletic field rental fees. \$100/day fee may be low, but we get the concessions versus other communities don't have that. The big baseball tournament they would like to start on Friday night. So the co-ed league would have a bye week.

Discussions on park vending fees – should there be a group vending fee? Especially in the disc golf side it may make more sense to have an event fee - \$150.00/day up to 7 vendors. Mr. Stransky said Brandon should have the ability to have some discretionary decisions.

Mr. Hensler left Mr. Millner a message today that he wants the ability to have discretionary decisions making by himself, Millner and Administrator Peck.

Athletic Fields – Previously rented for \$150 for fields A & B at Converse/day. Raise to \$75 from \$50 as listed. A light//field/night fee is added. Various discussion was held on the use of the concession stand by outside parties. The overall consensus was to not allow rental of the concession stand and work a deal out with someone.

Shelter – should be notice at shelter saying they are reserved or notice how to reserve.

Sports field Games – local baseball team made up of Marshall students, it is a handpicked members/private team that is not part of youth club that has requested to use a diamond at Converse for games. In the past there has been an agreement with the Youth Club we don't charge them for field use. One argument is that the non-youth club team isn't opened to anyone. They want guaranteed game and practice times. Youth club would be first for practice; really only worried about games at this point. It was felt the team should be required to pay the residential fees.

Motion by Stransky and seconded by Lemke to recommend the Village Board adopt the proposed rates as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Fireman's Park diamond. Mr. Millner said the diamond is in tough shape. He wants to charge a fee to help in getting the diamond back into shape. He would like the Village to start doing the prepping of the diamond. Mr. Millner questioned if it was fair to charge them, because we don't charge them at Converse. Stransky said what about a once a season fee to the Youth Club. He has spoken with some of the Youth Club/HS Baseball team to help fix the pitching mound etc. Should we just realize the fact that the diamond is the way it is? Is it fair to charge at one field and not the other? Diedrick said he would like to see a larger fundraiser that organizations could get behind to support the upgrade of the field. Mr. Millner is working on contacts for all organizations so each has an understanding of what is expected for facility use and that the Village is named as a loss payee by

these organizations.

1) Langer Park

A. Update on Disc Golf Tourney/Fundraiser Event. 90 individuals participated in the winter disc golf event. \$1,150 was raised for the park. There was an excellent turn out. Participants were able to play the new holes and a lot of support to Aaron (15 yr old) who organized the event. Langer is the only course that is open now. The course will probably will be closed by the end of the week, due to the warm weather that is coming. There has been roughly \$7000 raised towards the disc golf course expansion so far.

2) Firemen's Park

A. Discuss Survey Results up to date: survey is online. –please take survey.

IDENTIFICATION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

Next meeting will be going over Lions Club park contract.

Next parks meeting to be held 3/28/16.

Adjournment

Having no further business a motion was made by Stransky, second by Peters to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Sue Peck, Administrator