

RECREATION AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

12:00 February 16, 2016

Members Present: Deborah Wolfe, chair, Toni Harper, Troy Tripp, Jeff White VA
Guest: Mary Hoffman – Dowling Park, Dan Rutherford

DOWLING PARK report, Mary Hoffman

1. Jerry Dupler removed the electric lines from the pole in the NW sector of the park.
2. AEP is changing out the security pole.
3. LOST KIDS WORKSHOP is making a sign for the park at the cost of \$850, which is much lower than catalog prices.
4. In 2006 the revitalization fund had \$894.30; and an additional \$1,000 was donated by the Chamber. Since there were several groups involved in fund raising and book keeping, unfortunately, there is now a question as what happened to that extra \$1,000.
5. Engineers will be consulted on what materials would be required for the columns in the pavilion. Using a tile roof, it is important that the correct material is chosen.

HOWELL PARK Projects that need to be completed within the next few months.

1. Work on the soccer field. Jeff will contact Will Duvall to evaluate the soccer field to see if it can be rolled. Ron Rowley, head of FUSA, has stated that he has 200 youngsters that have signed up for soccer; and the group is very interested in using the soccer fields in Bremen. It was suggested since the fields would need to be readied by the end of March; a news article should be put in The Voice and The Towne Crier. In the article, it should be stated that volunteers are needed to help finish and groom the fields for the up-coming practices.
2. Playground completion – The playground equipment from the old elementary school needs to have mulch correctly installed. Which direction it takes, is to be determined as to how deep in the ground the cement foundation around the pole is found. If the cement pillars are located 12 inches down, the dirt can be dug out to that level and the mulch can be correctly installed. If the cement is found much closer to the surface, we will deal with it at that time. Timbers also need to be purchased to complete the enclosure.
3. The Howell Park sign situated at the entrance to the concession stand is unstable. Dan Rutherford inspected the post and thought it could be secured with cement. Once the ground has thawed, an inspection will take place and the correct remediation will then take place.
4. The village was able to procure 11 granite benches and 6 hollow structures that at one time were walkway lights from AEP. There were several points discussed about their

use, placement and need for a foundation for the granite benches. Since each bench is 114”L x 24”D x 10”H, weighing 2,718.6 lbs. each, it was questioned the size of the foundation required. At the AEP complex in Columbus, they were placed on large sheets of granite. The question then came up as to the size of the foundation needed. It was suggested before we proceed, Josh Groce should be consulted about the foundation needs. It was also suggested that if part of the benches were sold, we could then afford to purchase the concrete needed for the benches’ foundations. It was decided once we hear back from Josh and discuss this matter with Council, we would then proceed. If it is decided at Council that some or most of the benches be sold, we would then need to check with the Auditor to see how we should proceed.

5. Purchase and install 2 “No Skateboarding” signs at the park.
6. Install the 2 Howell Park signs at the corner of Marietta and Broad.
7. Install the 2 Howell Park signs at the corner of East Main Street and Broad.
8. Fix or locate legs for the playground equipment from South School.
9. Rainy Day Projects:
 - a. Repair and paint the green picnic tables
 - b. Stain and, or seal the picnic benches at the swimming pool.
 - c. Build a wooden trash container for the garbage can on the NE corner of the park.

SWIMMING POOL

1. Jobs to be completed by late March early April:
 - a. Main Pool Pump needs to be replaced with a motor that we have in reserve.
 - b. The soap dispenser needs to be mounted at the employees’ sink.
 - c. Toilets in both restrooms are loose and need to be secured.
 - d. Toilet seats need to be tightened on both toilets.
 - e. Order new wind-resistant umbrellas for the lifeguard chairs.
 - f. Main pool flow meter needs to be replaced because of unreadable numbers.
2. Jobs to be completed in early May:
 - a. 4 doors need to be replaced: office, 2 restrooms, and chlorine door.
 - b. Depth markers at both pools need to be painted in black so they’re more visible.
 - c. Holding tank in the pump room and the stainless liner will to be spot welded at the cost of about \$500 by John Huber. The rusted holding tank will be painted at a later date.
 - d. The slide drop zone needs to be marked either by painted lines in the bottom of the pool roped area, or a mat at the bottom (as when first installed) so that people do not enter the drop zone, other than the person coming down the slide.

- e. Concrete needs to be replaced or repaired around the baby pool, because it is chipping off in large chunks, causing a tripping hazard. The far deep end stairs has a large hole that also needs repair.

UNDETERIMED TIME TABLE

1. New Rules sign, which would include the current rules, with the addition of “No Smoking” and “No Weapons”.
2. All electrical outlets need to be changed to GFCI Outlets.
3. Eye Wash Station, along with new plumbing needs to be installed.
4. Deep end lights are not working and need to be repaired for parities to be held safely.
5. The lights in the restrooms do not work correctly, therefore they need to be replaced or repaired.

MISALANEOUS:

1. McCandlish Corner needs a new rope for the flagpole.
2. The Tree City Committee will have a meeting at the village office on Saturday, March 27 at 9.
3. Arbor Day will be held at Howell Park on Friday, April 29th at 6.
4. There was a discussion as to what type of memorial plaque would be used for the tree dedication. Troy will investigate several options.
5. Troy reported that his son Colin, who is working on his Eagle Badge, has raised \$2,200 for the installation of Golf Frisbee at Howell Park.
6. Mr. White said there was discussion about the needed handrails for the Horseshoe Courts and Baseball Fields bleachers. Since it would be too expensive to retrofit the bleachers, it was suggested that it might be better to remove the bleachers, since they don't meet OSHA safety standards.
7. The Budget Committee will be contacted to see what expenditures have been authorized for the Committee.

With respect,

Deborah Wolfe, chair