

**ALLOUEZ PARKS, RECREATION, & FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 31ST, 2023
5:30 P.M., ALLOUEZ VILLAGE HALL**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order at 5:31 PM by Marc Seidl.

Present: Angela Kowalzek-Adrians, Marc Seidl, Rob Atwood, Mike Borowski (via telephone)

Excused: Ryan Hallberg

Also Present: Chris Clark

MODIFY / ADOPT AGENDA

R. Atwood moved to adopt the agenda as presented. A. Kowalzek-Adrians seconded the motion. (M. Borowski abstained due to remote attendance) Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 19TH, 2022 MINUTES

A. Kowalzek-Adrians moved to approve the minutes dated December 19, 2022. R. Atwood seconded the motion. (M. Borowski abstained due to remote attendance) Motion passed.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. C. Clark informed the Committee that Jason Wolfe had been promoted from a Parks Maintenance Laborer position to Parks Mechanic beginning on January 1st, 2023. Because of his promotion the department is currently in the process to fill the open Parks Maintenance Laborer position. We plan to have someone on board by mid-March.
- b. C. Clark gave the Committee an update regarding wildlife management within the Village. The Village Board had been approached by a few residents concerned with the population levels of wildlife, in particular deer and turkeys, within the community and asked the Board to look into possible solutions. Staff is currently investigating options and gathering information for possible solutions for private property owners. As of now, we are not seeing any issues or planning any changes in parks or other village owned properties. If that were to change, staff will bring that back to Committee for discussion.
- c. R. Atwood informed the Committee of the St. Matthews Wild Game Feed to be held at St. Matthews Parish on March 2nd.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE GAZEBO FOR OPTIMIST PARK

C. Clark provided information and is seeking authorization for the purchase of a gazebo for Optimist Park. The Miracle League of Green Bay has secured a donation from the Richard J. Resch Foundation in the amount not to exceed \$75,000 to install a gazebo at Optimist Park.

- The gazebo is a Poligon Grand Haven steel structure that will be purchased through the national Sourcewell awarded contract program.
- This project was authorized in the 2023 Capital Improvement budget as well as the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.
- Total cost of the project is estimated at \$73,000 with the gazebo quoted at \$48,906. The remainder would be for concrete, brick work, and donor signage.
- The gazebo will be installed on the south side of Optimist Park overlooking the shelter/ballfield to the north. This is a more passive side of the park.
- Anticipated completion of the project will be late summer or early fall of 2023.
- To date, the Miracle League of Green Bay has donated nearly \$1.15 million dollars to the Village of Allouez. Most of that has been in the development of Optimist Park.

A. Kowalzek-Adrians moved to recommend the purchase of the gazebo. R. Atwood seconded the motion. (M. Borowski abstained due to remote attendance) Motion passed.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Update on security cameras and wifi in parks and trails
- Update on tree removals in parks and trails
- Update on Coastal Management grant

ADJOURNMENT

R. Atwood moved to adjourn at 5:44 PM. A. Kowalzek-Adrians seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Minutes taken by Chris Clark.