

**ALLOUEZ PARKS, RECREATION, & FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH, 2023
5:30 P.M., ALLOUEZ VILLAGE HALL**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Marc Seidl.

Present: Marc Seidl, Ryan Hallberg, Gerry Faller, Rob Atwood

Excused: Angela Kowalzek-Adrians, Mike Borowski, Jason Mathwig

Also Present: Chris Clark

MODIFY / ADOPT AGENDA

R. Atwood moved to adopt the agenda as presented. R. Hallberg seconded the motion. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 31ST, 2023 MINUTES

R. Hallberg moved to approve the minutes dated January 31, 2023. R. Atwood seconded the motion. Motion passed.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Welcomed new Committee members Gerry Faller and Jason Mathwig.
- b. C. Clark gave the Committee an update on the hiring of Joe Linnane as a Park Maintenance Laborer. Joe will begin his employment with the Village on March 13th.
- c. C. Clark gave the Committee an update on various grants. The Department received a Wisconsin DNR Urban Forestry Grant in the amount of \$17,783 for tree planting over the next two years. He has yet to hear anything definitive on the Wisconsin Coastal Management Grant for the Resch Family East River Trail Master Plan or the NEW Water tree planting grant. He anticipates hearing on these two grants within the next few weeks.

INFORMATION: UPDATES ON DISCUSSION ITEMS AND PROJECTS

- a. C. Clark provided an update to the Committee regarding park security and fiber optic/wifi.
 - Has obtained a proposal for security camera systems for 8 park sites as well as the LeBrun yard waste site at an estimated cost of \$85,000.
 - This project would potentially be funded with ARPA money allocated to the Village.

- Estimates for fiber optic/WiFi options were approximately \$12,000 per year (\$1500 per site). This option could be chosen on an “as needed” per site basis as well.
- Each site would also have individual DVR hard drive systems.
- All cameras need constant power to operate which may limit some coverage locations within the parks especially along some trails.
- Most locations would have cameras around buildings and active areas of the parks.

In addition to the information regarding the cameras, Clark provided information about personal safety alarm tools, tower emergency alert systems, and personal defense classes.

- b. C. Clark provided an update on the removal of dead trees within the parks and along the Resch Family East River Trail. This project is ongoing and will take some time to complete. The focus of these removals is safety to park and trail users. The department plans to utilize tree seedlings for reforestation efforts, possibly with the help of scout groups.
- c. The Green Isle Park fitness equipment project is proceeding. The concrete was installed last fall. The fitness equipment has been delivered and will be installed this spring as the weather improves.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Memorial garden

ADJOURNMENT

R. Atwood moved to adjourn at 6:08 PM. R. Hallberg seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Minutes taken by Chris Clark.