

Approved – February 26, 2014

**TOWN OF ALGOMA
WINNEBAGO COUNTY, WISCONSIN
Parks Committee Meeting
Wednesday, January 29, 2014**

The Parks Committee was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Timm.

The following members were present: Kristine Timm, Mark Kainz, Dewey Nelson, Joel Rasmussen, Curt Clark and Sue Rehder.

The following were also present: Brenna Root and Anna Carpenter of rethink Winnebago.

No one spoke during the public forum opportunity.

By consensus, the committee decided to approve placing item # 5 before item # 4 on the agenda.

Brenna Root and Anna Carpenter of rethink Winnebago spoke concerning the establishment of smoke free parks.

- Pennsylvania has smoke free/ tobacco free parks statewide.
- Program is called Young Lungs at Play.
- The program is not copyrighted.
- City of Appleton already has the program.
- Member Kainz requested contact information, so he could further research this initiative.
- 15 students and 4 youths collected cigarette waste at the location of the Oshkosh River Walk; it took 1 hour and 30 minutes to collect 3 large jars.
- Process is still in progress with Oshkosh. Town of Algoma was first to be asked.
- Sample ordinances were provided.
- Cigarette disposals would also be an option. (Financial Issue)

Discussion was held concerning trimming brush near bridge at the end of Rasmussen Road.

- Estimates need to be obtained. The work could be done in spring or fall, depending on the rainfall amounts.

Discussion was held concerning the gift from Carl & Kathy Chapman in honor of the Fire Department and Emergency Medical Technicians.

- Thank you was found. Chair Timm made a personal phone call, and donations are being made in a separate account.

Discussion was held concerning the fundraising.

- Member Rasmussen reported that the response on the bids was good.

By consensus, the committee decided to approve placing item #9 before item # 8 on the agenda.

Discussion was held concerning retention pond.

- Pat Rank of Martneson & Eisle, Inc. has knowledge of the plan.
- Member Rasmussen met with area developer Keith Decker.
- Plan has to be submitted.
- Bid process will go forward.
- Cleaner pond.
- Flowage would be improved with county separation of water.
- Culverts may need to be upsized.

On a motion by Timm/Clark, carried on a voice vote, the Committee will move forward with the Jones Park Contract.

The fundraising was the next topic for discussion. Member Rasmussen will set up an appointment with Vicki Schorse who ran the Mercy Medical Center Foundation.

On a motion by Rasmussen/ Nelson, carried on a voice vote, the committee approved the minutes of the October 30, 2013 meeting.

On a motion by Rasmussen/ Nelson, carried on a voice vote, the Committee adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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