

**TOWN OF ALGOMA
WINNEBAGO COUNTY, WISCONSIN
PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, September 26, 2018
Meeting held at Jones Park, located within Town of Algoma**

1. Call to Order:

The Parks Committee Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Vice Chair Marvin.

2. Roll Call:

The following Committee Members were in attendance: Chris Wright, Jim Marvin and Mike Dudzinski (Curt Clark and Tom McInnis excused).

The following were also present: Benjamin Krumenauer, Administrator.

3. Public Forum:

No public present.

4. Discussion and possible action re: Minutes of the June 27, 2018 meeting

On a motion made by Members Wright/Dudzinski, The minutes pertaining to the June 27, 2018 meeting were approved unanimously (approved 3-0).

5. Discussion and possible action re: Rules and Regulations for Town Parks

Mr. Krumenauer provided a detailed background and reason for implementing rules and guidelines for Town of Algoma Parks. The main focus of the discussion included dogs, trash and garbage, tobacco products and rentals.

Though committee Chair Clark was not present he did provide comments prior to the meeting. Those comments are included after the summary of proceedings.

Pets in parks:

A detailed discussion ensued that focused on what sort of policy should occur with dogs as the focus. It was unanimously agreed that only dogs should be considered and regulations need to include waste pickup, confinement to trails with a leash and must be licensed.

A motion was made to allow dogs with the following recommendations to the Town Board (Wright/Dudzinski):

1. Dogs shall be permitted in parks
2. Dogs must be confined to a 6 foot leash or less in length
3. Dog waste must be cleaned up at all times
4. Dogs must be legally licensed
5. Dogs must remain on paved trails only

Motion carried 3-0

Trash and rubbish in parks:

A motion was made to recommend Town staff research and develop a refuse and rubbish policy that could include a designated refuse site (Wright/Dudzinski).

Motion carried 3-0

Tobacco products:

It was unanimously agreed that regulations should include restricting the use of tobacco (smoke, vapor and other tobacco products within Town of Algoma parks.

A motion was made to prohibit all tobacco products including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, e-cigarettes and chewing tobacco in all Town of Algoma parks and recreation areas (Wright/Dudzinski).

Motion carried 3-0

Park or pavilion rentals:

Considerable discussion pertaining to rentals within Town parks occurred. The discussion revolved around two different sections; whether or not rentals should occur and secondly, what would a policy require.

It was recommended that the Town not allow rentals for the time being. Overall consensus felt that if and when rentals are considered the price be held at a rate consistent with the rental facility and that it should only be permitted during operational hours of the park.

Miscellaneous regulations to research:

Other park rules that were discussed for consideration include:

1. No bicycles or wheeled devices on all playing surfaces
2. Park only open from sunrise to sunset
3. Access to the detention basin is prohibited

It was also recommended to research access restriction devices such as fences, signs and barriers

6. Adjourn

On a motion by members Wright/Dudzinski, passed on a voice vote, the Committee adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Submitted by,
Deborah L Stark, WCMC
Clerk

Recording Secretary,
Benjamin Krumenauer
Administrator