



Grinnell PARKS AND RECREATIONS BOARD meeting
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M.
WEST MERRILL PARK SHELTER

Minutes

ROLL CALL: Kama Small, Ralph Eyberg, Bill Molison, Jean Reavis, Shawn Walters, Dave Popp and Kelly Rose.

APPROVE AGENDA: At 7:02pm Walters motioned to approve the agenda and Eyberg seconded the motion.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES: Molison motioned that we approve the August 8, 2016 meeting minutes and Eyberg seconded it.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Master Parks Plan – priority of projects, fundraising opportunities, grant writing, goals for 2016-2017 fiscal year
 - **Central Park - Spriggs / Small / Molison** – Construction continues. Bushong Construction hoping to be wrapping up structures around December 1
 - **Parks and Cemetery Vegetation - Eyberg** – Nothing to report
 - **Dog Park - Queathem / Reavis / Walters / Eyberg / Molison** – Meeting later this month
 - **Bailey Park - Walters** – Fundraising continues. Grant writing continues
2. Park Improvement Fund –
 - Aquatic Center Shed – DONE
 - West Merrill Ball Diamond Shed – DONE
 - Park Entrance Signs - DONE
 - Lions Park Parking Lot – DONE
 - Summer Street Natural Playscape – DONE
 - Summer Street Recreational Trail – DONE
 - West Merrill Restroom Renovation – DONE
 - Miller Park Playground Equipment – DONE
 - Arbor Lake South Side Trail – Jason Hall to complete work
 - Pet Drinking Fountain–West Merrill-DONE. Arbor Lake almost complete
 - West Merrill Stone Sign – Will begin work as soon as funds are secured. Would like to look into landscaping around the sign as well.
3. Sidewalks projects – With the construction of Hwy 146 now might be the time to run sidewalk on the North side of 11th Ave starting at the intersection of Hwy 146 and 11th Ave and run East to connect to the existing sidewalk by the East Shelter House. Along with the stretch between Prince and Prairie on South side of 8th Ave. Waiting to hear on grant before we move forward with these projects.
4. Bike work station location – Permission was granted from the Grinnell-Newburg School District to place one of the work stations on their property near the 11th Ave and Sunset St intersection. Will be installing as soon as locates are done.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Grinnell College Mini Grant – Motion by Walters to write the grant for \$7,490 towards the Merrill Park stone sign. Seconded by Molison, motion carried. Rose will submit grant prior to September 30 deadline.

NOTES: Memorial Bench at Miller Park has been installed and sits by the playground equipment.

INQUIRES:

ADJOURN: Walters made the motion at 7:40pm to adjourn the meeting and Molison seconded.