

## **PARK COMMITTEE**

### **TOWN OF HOLLAND**

February 23, 2022, 6:21 p.m.

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	Chair Ben Filter, Naomi Bjergum, Karen Durnin, Doug Klenke, and Tiffany Lein
<b>OTHERS PRESENT</b>	Peter Fletcher, LAPC (via zoom), Abbey Nicewander, MRRPC (via zoom), Mike Flury (via zoom), Marilyn Pedretti, Town Clerk

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Filter called the meeting to order at 6:21 p.m. Notices were properly posted.

## **MINUTES**

Motion by Durnin/Bjergum to approve minutes of January 26, 2022. **MOTION** carried.

**CITIZENS CONCERNS:** none given.

## **BIKE/PED PLAN**

Filter reviewed the information from the Ad-hoc Trail Development Committee meeting held earlier. Peter Fletcher, Executive Director, La Crosse Area Planning Committee (LAPC), reviewed the schedule and that the recommended contractor met all the proposal requirements. Discussion followed. Motion by Klenke/Bjergum to recommend accepting the bid from Toole Design for \$44,920. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

## **AD-HOC TRAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Filter reviewed the discussion of the Ad-Hoc Trail Development Committee meeting.

## **OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN**

Abby Nicewander, Senior Planner, Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission (MRRPC), asked for input on the draft Town of Holland Outdoor Recreation Plan, as pertains to “needs/actions” for each park (page 14) and “priority actions” (page 19). Filter reviewed his ideas sent via email last week. Discussion followed concerning recurring expenses, enhancements using natural landscaping/pollinator gardens and options such as sensory equipment for future parks. Filter directed committee members to send their input to the clerk no later than Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup>.

## **HOLLAND ESTATES BALLFIELD**

Mike Flury, W7815 Amsterdam Prairie Road (via zoom), was open to suggestions for temporary signage to thank the donors and he will work with Filter on options. Filter reported the back stop will be installed this spring and the grass seed was applied before the snow. Flury purchased “stay off field” signs to limit traffic on the field while it is stabilizing.

## **2022 PROJECTS**

Future park development: Lein reported on feedback she received from a survey she conducted in her neighborhood for the Wildflower Park development. She said the consensus was to keep it small and low key. She shared a plan that WTC has for walking trails and pollinator plants and suggested the Town seek a designer. Discussion followed concerning connecting Wildflower to the Town park with walking paths, extending around the ballfields with a mini health circuit and ADA accessible options. Filter noted

the Hidden Prairie park has a unique configuration but no set plans were determined. It was the consensus to continue discussing options with the Bike/Ped Plan consultant.  
2022 Budget items: Filter reported the board approved moving forward with the garbage can project, RFPs to upgrade the buildings and back stop installation.

**FUTURE AGENDA AND NEXT MEETING**

TBD: May/June depending on the consultant work.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Bjergum/Lein to adjourn. **MOTION** carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marilyn Pedretti  
Town Clerk