

PARK COMMITTEE

TOWN OF HOLLAND

March 25, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT	Chair Nikole Hauser, Doug Klenke and Tiffany Lein
EXCUSED	Naomi Bjergum and Karen Durnin
OTHERS PRESENT	Justin Brandau, David Carlson (Town Crew), Marilyn Pedretti (Town Clerk)

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hauser called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Notices were properly posted.

MINUTES

Motion by Klenke/Lein to approve the minutes of September 11th. **MOTION** carried.

CITIZENS CONCERNS: none given.

YOUTH BASEBALL

Justin Brandau, N7593 Lake Park Drive, representing the Holmen Youth Baseball Parents Association (HYBPA), spoke about their grant request through the Zielke Foundation to install a 12x24 storage shed for their equipment. Discussion followed concerning placement, timing and the possibility of a concrete slab. Brandau also noted they would like to add dirt to the fields to control weeds and help with maintenance. Motion by Klenke/Lein to recommend the Holmen Youth Baseball Parents Association to install up to a 12' x 24' shed on a slab with placement to be determined and donated back to the Town (once installed). **MOTION** carried.

PRAIRIE WOODS WALKING TRAIL

Hauser reviewed an email from Brian Gray concerning the walking trail in Prairie Woods and removal of some invasive trees. Discussion followed. It was the consensus that Gray ask the Town Board for permission to remove any healthy trees from public land.

WILDFLOWER PARK

Hauser reviewed an email from Coulee Region Ecoscapes and asked for input on choosing park trees. Discussion followed. It was the consensus to circulate an email to all committee members for their choices, to be collected by the end of April.

HIDDEN PAIRIE PARK

Hauser asked for input concerning process for discerning park needs. Discussion followed. It was the consensus to conduct a survey of the residents of Hidden Prairie. Pedretti will draft a survey and share with committee members for input.

TOWN CREW REPORT

David Carlson, Town Crew, reported he conducted park inspections in the fall and again two weeks ago. He reviewed the findings with the committee with the following concerns:

Town Park:

1. Wood structure play equipment is in rough shape. Discussion followed. It was the consensus to fix up as best as they can and put on next year's budget discussion for replacement.

2. Green handicap swing is missing straps. Supplier will be contacted for replacement parts.
3. Bouncy horse is rusty and worn out. Carlson reported they will remove for safety reasons. Supplier will be contacted for replacement costs.
4. Two picnic tables need replacing. Supplier will be contacted for price of two frames.
5. Dug-out fascia is missing and crew will work to replace.
6. Zip line had a cracked hose and was repaired.

Lloyd Dresen Park

1. Older play equipment has edges breaking off and the crew will sand down. Item for next year's budget discussion.
2. Other equipment had loose bolts that were tightened.

Holland Estates Park

1. Equipment in good shape.
2. Crew removed two dead trees. Add to tree planting discussion.

George Hammes Park

1. Carlson reviewed some pictures of cracking edges and issues with the spiral slide. It was the consensus to research a plastic welder to fix areas of concern. Supplier will be contacted for pricing any parts that need replacing.

Gaynor Rolling Hills Park

1. Some tree roots are exposed and the crew will cover with mulch.
2. Picnic table needs to be sanded and repainted.
3. Carlson reported a resident asked the committee to consider installing a gazebo.

August Prairie Park

1. Carlson reviewed some pictures of cracking and a hole. The crew will fix what they can. Supplier will be contacted for pricing equipment that needs replacing.

Hauser thanked Carlson for his work and was pleased there will be one crew member keeping track of the equipment on a regular basis.

2024 BUDGET

Park equipment: Motion by Lein/Klenke to recommend to seek price and replacement as listed above. **MOTION** carried.

Lighting for restrooms: Members reviewed a quote to replace the indoor light in the park restrooms with LED, motion sensor fixtures. Motion by Klenke/Lein to recommend Viking Electric bid in the amount of \$1,950. **MOTION** carried.

Park trees: Discussion took place concerning the budget item to purchase park trees. It was the consensus to hold discussion until park equipment costs were determined.

Garbage can holders: Carlson reported they need four garbage cans: (2) at Flury Field, (1) at Wildflower Park and (1) at Hidden Prairie Park. Discussion followed. It was the consensus to hold discussion until park equipment costs were determined.

FUTURE AGENDA AND NEXT MEETING:

Meeting tentatively set for Monday, May 6th at 6:30 p.m. Items: status of pickleball courts, paved trail through the Town park, Wildflower Park gazebo timeline and park equipment status.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Lein/Klenke to adjourn. **MOTION** carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marilyn Pedretti, Town Clerk