

Village of Lena
117 E. Main St., Lena, WI 54139
Park and Recreation Committee Minutes
Wednesday, May 8, 2024, 6:00 pm

Meeting was called to order.

Roll Call: Judy Patenaude, Amy Marquardt, Steve Marquardt, Nick Heise

Absent: Larry Sobeck

Also Present: Krista Staudemeier, Joe and April Kanack, Kayla Goldschmidt

Approval of Agenda: Motion was made by A Marquardt/S Marquardt to approve the agenda as presented. Motion voted and carried.

Approval of Minutes from April 3, 2024, Meeting: Motion by A Marquardt/Patenaude to approve meeting minutes from April 3, 2024. Motion voted and carried.

Pocket Parks Volunteer crews are working on the diamonds daily to complete. Discussion on Baseball Diamond Park construction bids. Motion by Heise/S Marquardt to approve the quote and purchase for 20' backstops in the amount of \$8677x2 diamonds from Fortress Fence. Roll Call Vote: Heise-Aye, Patenaude-Aye, A Marquardt-Aye, S Marquardt-Aye. Motion carried. Discussion held regarding sand for infield on both diamonds. Thomson Excavating has kindly donated the strained sand base already delivered to the diamonds, equaling 8 loads. We will need a few more loads to complete base. More loads will also be required from Faulk Bros Construction to complete the diamond sand mix top layer to spec. Quotes for graveling the parking lot were received from Duame Sand and Gravel in the amount of \$23,716 and Thomson excavating in the amount of \$20,500. This is not an urgent need and will be visited again in the future.

Grants and Donation Report – Sellen reported on grants. The Bond Foundation Grant was awarded to us in the amount of \$30,000 and must be used within may and December of this year, exactly as requested (fencing, dug out, grass, equipment). After spending the funds, a response for use and press release will be required upon spending the grant. We have applied for a grant through Oconto County Recreation grant with \$27,450 toward Ball diamond, pocket parks \$17,000 and Museum \$2200. We will hear on this within the next couple weeks.

Joe and April Kanack and Kayla Goldschmidt were present to discuss donation opportunities. The committee briefed them on the current ball diamond park formation, history, and plan, along with all the pocket parks within the Village. Joe commented the goals and direction of the "STEF Organization" and on their plan of donating to the 3 phases of the projects for all pocket parks. They would like to begin with a large donation to the ball diamonds, fencing, scoreboards and continue donations with the additional phases as they come to fruition.

Miscellaneous/Next Meeting Date: Park and Rec Fundraising Group will meet Monday, May 13 at 7 pm.

Adjournment: A Marquardt/Patenaude made a motion to adjourn at 7:27 pm. Motion voted and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Jodi A. Marquardt, Clerk/Treasurer