

**JUNE 27, 2023 PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**CITY OF EDGERTON**

Candy Davis called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Candy Davis, Jonathon Frey, Samantha Higbee, Bonnie Slagg and Kyle Furseth.

Excused: Casey Langan and Denise Langan

Others Present: City Administrator Ramona Flanigan and Municipal Services Director Howard Moser.

Flanigan confirmed the meeting notice was properly posted on Friday, June 23, 2023. Agendas were posted at Edgerton Post Office, Edgerton Public Library, City Hall and the City's website.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A Jonathon Frey/Bonnie Slagg motion to approve the May 16, 2023 Parks & Recreation Committee meeting minutes passed, all voted in favor.

**PARKS TOUR:** Meeting participants left City Hall to tour the city parks.

**Racetrack Park:** The Committee reviewed the following work that had been completed: regrading of the tractor pull area for athletic fields; filling and regrading of the area south of the Conservation Club for athletic fields; and the installation of gravel base for a parking lot expansion by the Conservation Club.

A Bonnie Slagg/Kyle Furseth motion to recommend paving the parking lot expansion by the Conservation Club passed on a 5/0 roll call vote.

The Committee discussed the current safety netting in the spectator area between the ballfields. Moser indicated he received a quote of approximately \$60,000 to install netting over the spectator area. The Committee expressed interest in having more protection for spectators and will continue to evaluate alternatives. Aquatic Director Anne Gohlke and Assistant Director Abby Anderson met the Committee at the concession stand. Gohlke asked for lock box to be installed for use by soda vendors.

The Committee reviewed the dance floor upgrades being proposed by the Rotary Club for this Fall. Proposed improvements include the construction of stadium seating, removal of the fence on the hill, and removal of the small shelter on the west end of the dance floor.

The Committee discussed the large play structure and noted that it will need to be replaced in the next few years. Furseth asked if the Committee could be involved in the selection of the new equipment. Frey raised a question about the possibility of setting up exercise stations along the walking paths.

**Central Park:** Flanigan reported that the Mayor and Veterans groups are pursuing a shelter in Veteran's Park. Gohlke mentioned the chronic problem with the degrading pool rim. Staff will seek advice for a more permanent solution to the problem. Gohlke also discussed the installation of low maintenance landscaping on the slope between the two pools and the need to repaint the pool in a few years.

**St Johns Park:** The Committee discussed the baseball league's offer to remove sod in order to create a more official T-Ball field. In regards to the amount of space available in the park, the Committee felt there was ample room for more than one athletic field for younger athletes. The Committee also discussed upgrading the basketball court. A resident from the neighborhood joined the meeting and asked that the climber (playground equipment) be inspected to see if it needs to be replaced.

**Orchard Park:** The lack of off-street parking was discussed. The Committee viewed the soccer area and felt that additional shade would be a good improvement.

Being no other business before the Committee, a Jonathon Frey/Kyle Furseth motion to adjourn passed, all voted in favor.

Ramona Flanigan/mjd  
City Administrator