

## PARK COMMISSION MINUTES

09/9/2010

The Town of Salem Park Commission held its monthly meeting at the Salem Town Hall, 9814 Antioch Rd., Salem, WI 53168 on Thursday, September 9, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. Park Commission members present were: Karen Ihlen, Crysti Neuman, Bill Barhyte, Colleen Glaves, Larry Kamin and Mark Eberle. Others present were: Pat Casey, Administrator; Brad Zautcke, Planning & Zoning and Marilyn Glaze, Park Commission Secretary. (Josephine Weidman was excused).

1. Park Commissioner Bill Barhyte called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Karen Ihlen motioned to approve minutes from 8/11/10; Crysti Neuman seconded. Motion approved 6-0.
3. Larry Kamin motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report; Mark Eberle seconded. Motion approved 6-0.
4. Citizen Comments: Dan Campion stated that Bill Barhyte is doing a fine job running the meeting.
5. Discussion and possible action on allowing the community park parking lot (active/passive or both) to be used as a "snow Machine station" where vehicles and trailers could park and load and unload snow machines for subsequent use on the approved snowmobile trails in the county. Terry Burns made an informal presentation to the Park Commission as to why this would be good for the Town of Salem. Allowing snow mobile parking could eliminate problems of transporting. The Community Park is a centralized location near the trail system. Park Commission members are concerned that this would damage the asphalt parking lot. Bill Barhyte stated a gravel parking lot would be better. Karen Ihlen stated we shouldn't rush into it right now. Karen Ihlen motioned to decline using the community park parking lot for loading and unloading snow machines, but to bring back next year for reconsideration, Larry Kamin seconded. Motion approved 6-0.
6. Old Business -
  - Signs - There is \$9,000 in the Park Fund, we should not spend more than \$5,000. Crysti Neuman commented that we should go with the 21 signs and pay the down payment in December from the 2010 budget and pay for the remainder next year from the 2011 budget. Mark Eberle motioned to purchase at least 15 signs from Sign-A-Rama with anti-graffiti protection, Colleen Glaves seconded. Motion approved 5-1 (Karen Ihlen opposed – Sass Graphics is from Salem).
  - 2011 Park Budget - Need to spend money from the Park Development Fund which currently has a balance of \$872,963.43. Last year's Park Budget was \$20,000 which covered equipment, development and repairs. The mowing contract should come out of a separate fund. The purchase of an irrigation system is on hold because of problems with sand in the well (we can use part of the money from the \$872,000 fund towards the development of the irrigation system). Items needing to be budgeted for in the 2011 Budget are: football posts, line markers, portable bleachers, concrete pads for handi-cap accessible picnic tables (3 or 4 in the community park and single pads in a few other parks), refrigerator, grills, display case, and if there are no objections a pop machine (we could make .25 from each bottle). FYI – we did not get the grant for the bridge to connect the active and passive areas of the park.
7. New Business –
  - The Park Commission should: 1) look at neighborhood maps to get ideas for new Parks, 2) do some research as to what the cost would be to install an entrance on the 84<sup>th</sup> St. property and 3) look into marking the bike trails.
8. Crysti Neuman motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Karen Ihlen. Unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

NEXT PARK COMMISSION MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 20, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.

Minutes prepared and submitted by:

Marilyn Glaze  
Park Commission Secretary