

**Park & Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting
May 13, 2025**

1 - Order

Meeting called to order by Trustee McManus at 5:00 p.m.

2 – Roll Call

PRESENT: 7 – Trustee McManus, Trustee Lambrecht, Eugene Pagel, Christian De Jong, Tom, Ian Dart, Larry Pedrazoli, Tom Dovorany

ABSENT: None.

STAFF/OTHER: Village Engineer Ryan Schmidt

3 – Approval of Minutes from April 8th, 2025

Motion to approve the Minutes from April 8th, 2025, made by Eugene Pagel. Seconded by Michael Lambrecht. Motion carried unanimously.

4 - Public comment –

The following people appeared to speak before the Committee: None.

5 – New Business

A. Review and Discuss Solar Lighting Opportunity for Crawford Park

Staff presented a memorandum on the research into solar lighting and included exhibits from a manufacturer that has worked in the area recently. Discussion occurred amongst the committee members and staff about alternatives via We Energies and lighting for pickle ball. Staff ultimately recommended a pilot project utilizing the two poles in the future parking lot.

Motion made by Christian De Jong to recommend to the Committee of the Whole to purchase and install 2 solar powered light poles for the parking lot in Phase 3 of Crawford Park Expansion. Second, by Eugene Pagel. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Review and Discuss Security for Future Crawford Park Expansion

Staff presented information on adding a security camera on the existing public safety building to provide coverage on the future parking lot and the estimated cost of \$7,000. Discussion occurred amongst the committee about distance, quality, and overall security planning for Crawford Park. Staff recommended that this topic could be revisited when the expansion project is further along and get more clarity about camera quality and cost.

Motion made by Eugene Pagel to bring the item back at the August Parks Meeting. Second by Larry Pedrazoli. All Aye.

C. Review and Discuss Gorney Park Northern Enclosure for Dog Park Opportunity

Staff presented a memorandum regarding the existing enclosure on Gorney Park that contains a Village Owned building and its potential for a Dog Park. Staff provided first hand account site visit, issues with the site and possible costs concerns regarding the development and improvement to accommodate a dog park. Discussion occurred amongst the committee about viability, demolition of the building, and the future of the Yard Waste Site. Ultimately, staff recommended the Dog Park not be pursued at this time.

Motion made by Christian De Jong to Receive and File the Village Engineer's Report dated April 24, 2025 on the Dog Park in the Northern Enclosure at Gorney Park. Second by Eugen Pagel. All aye.

D. Review and Discuss Possible Disc Golf Opportunity for Gorney Park

Staff presented a memorandum on the concept of Disc Golf at Gorney Park. Time was running out on the meeting and Staff briefly covered the concept and recommended that this be revisited when more time was allowed to go into more detail.

Motion made by Eugen Pagel to carry over the item at the June Parks Meeting. Second by Tom Dovorany. All Aye.

6 – Continuing Business

A. Crawford Park Expansion Phase III – Project Update

Staff presented the updated schedule for Phase 3 which includes starting work as early as May 14, 2025 and having Pickleball Courts ready by Labor Day. Staff also mentioned that Phase 4 would need to be discussed further in advance of budget meetings and that the Committee should begin thinking about what they would like to recommend.

No Motion required.

B. Crawford Park Mass Grading Phase II – Project Update

Staff presented the updated schedule for the completion of the mass grading phase of the project. Crews were completing grading and stabilization work of the site the was not completed in the late Fall due to weather. Crews expect to complete the paving the week of May 19, 2025.

No Motion Required.

7 – Adjournment

Trustee McManus adjourned the meeting at 5:55pm with no more items on the agenda.