

The Village Recreation Committee met on Wednesday, May 25 at 5:00 p.m. at the Village Office, 316 Brad Street S, Grantsburg, WI 54840.

Present: Chairman/Trustee Diane Barton

Trustee Maurice (DJ) Henderson

Others: Trustee Greg Peer

Clerk/Treasurer Sheila Meyer

DPW John Erickson

Pool Manager Julie Fiedler

Pickleball Players, Earl Mosley, Sharron Johnson & Jay Gilhoi

Caylin Muehlberg

Absent: Trustee Kayla Woody

Chairman/Trustee Barton called the Recreation Committee Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pool: 1. Free swim coupons 2. Book club 3. Sink 4. Self-latching gate. Pool Manager Fielder requested the committee donate single day swim passes as the May incentive for a reading challenge at the elementary school, she indicated it may be between 70-90 students. This would be separate from Book Club that does a free pass for participants after book club is done, that is scheduled three times over the summer. The committee felt it is important to encourage reading and being active outside. Clerk/Treasurer Meyer stated the approval wouldn't happen until the June board meeting.

Motion by Chairman/Trustee Barton, second by Trustee Henderson to recommend the Village Board allow Book Club students to swim after they meet for each of the three times scheduled for the summer. Motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Peer suggested the reading challenge incentive be placed on the agenda at the Special Village Board meeting scheduled for May 31st.

Motion by Chairman/Trustee Barton, second by Trustee Henderson to recommend the Village Board at their meeting on May 31st approve the reading incentive pool passes for 70-90 students. Motion passed unanimously.

Pool Manager Fiedler explained the pool will be required to have a hand washing sink to pass a food inspection. DPW Erickson reviewed bids for a sink and install. The committee suggested ordering the sink online through WebstaurantStore for \$346.49 and having the Village crew install. **No motions made.**

DPW Erickson reviewed the quotes presented for a self-latching gate. The committee suggested to have

this done by whoever can get it done the fastest. No motions made.

Pool Manager Fielder provided an update on the pool. There are 7 lifeguards and not as many concession workers as last year, hoping they will get more hours and get more comfortable with the duties if they do them more often. The pool is planned to open June 7th. Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Longhenry will investigate an online fillable form and payment option for memberships.

Pool Manager Fielder left the meeting at 6:24 pm.

Pickleball Courts: 1. Nets 2. Concrete slab.

DPW Erickson presented four bids for the concrete slab at the park, all were \$29,000 and over. The committee agreed that project is not feasible at this time.

Mosley, Johnson and Gilhoi asked the committee to put a set of fixed nets on one of the tennis courts. They feel that if a net is available, more people will be able to play. Chairman/Trustee Barton suggested four pickleball courts may fit on one tennis court. The committee and participants discussed there is only space for two nets. The group also commented that Sports Illustrated noted pickle ball as being the fastest growing sport due to its affordability and can be played by people of all ages and abilities. They feel this would attract people to our town. Chairman/Trustee Barton said she has an issue with fixed nets and not being able to use the tennis court. The pickle ball group would be okay with temporary nets but may not work if they go missing and the frequent set-ups and teardowns may be too much wear and tear on them. Chairman/Trustee Barton stated the Village does not have money budgeted for this project and asked if the group has thought of fundraising for nets. Mosley commented he would be willing to donate but couldn't speak for the group. Gilhoi commented there are 40+ players that are part of the community ed group in the winter so any nets the committee would purchase would be used regularly by many people. Trustee Henderson commented by not having nets we could be turning people away from our town who would otherwise spend money here.

Motion by Trustee Henderson, second by Chairman/Trustee Barton to recommend the Village Board invest in this sport and purchase pickle ball net kits with removeable sleeves for one of the tennis courts at an estimated cost of \$600 per net kit. Motion carried.

Mosley, Johnson & Gilhoi left the meeting at 6:51 pm.

Community Center storage room rental agreement. Clerk/Treasurer Meyer explained she is working on a sample rental agreement. Muehlberg provided feedback from when her and her mom organized the community center kitchen. She provided a list of all items with their location as well as recommendations on needed items/cleaners as well as items to be removed. Clerk/Treasurer Meyer also indicated she had Wayne Lake look at the cabinets to get a price to have doors installed, she has not heard back from Wayne at this time.

Muehlberg left the meeting at 7:09pm.

Golf Sign on State Rd 70. Clerk/Treasurer Meyer contacted Jeremy with Northland Signs and Todd with TRA Designs for bids to replace the golf sign on Highway 70. Todd chose not to submit a quote since Jeremy did the sign initially. The committee discussed either find the money in the budget or use

the \$1,531 grant from our insurance to have the sign re-done.

Motion by Trustee Henderson, second by Chairman/Trustee Barton to recommend the Village Board have Northland Signs redo the golf sign on State Road 70 for \$1,180. Motion passed unanimously.

Remove large pine trees by Memory Lake playground. The committee discussed the need to remove two trees at the Memory Lake playground that constantly drop pine needles and sap on the ground and playground equipment. DPW Erickson presented two quotes from Luedtke Tree Service and Skyline Tree Solutions.

Motion by Chairman/Trustee Barton, second by Trustee Henderson to recommend the Village Board have the two trees removed by Skyline Tree Solutions on the one weekend-day quote for \$2,800. Motion passed unanimously.

Parks & Recreation grant money. The committee discussed using this money for the golf sign and using anything leftover to go towards the pickle ball nets. No motions made.

Chairman/Trustee Barton adjourned the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Allison Longhenry Deputy Clerk/Treasurer