

Madison Beach and Recreation Department  
Bauer Park Advisory Committee  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
**July 25, 2018**

**In attendance:** Ted Rahmann, Holly Johnson, Ann Judd, John Paulson, Kristin Wildermann, Ruthanna Terreri

**Absent:** Jim Henneberry, Scot Erskine, Julie Ainsworth  
Beach & Rec: Pam Greene

Meeting called to order at 7:12 pm

1. Approval of June 27, 2018 meeting minutes. Item b. under the Chair's report should be deleted. Members of the Beach & Rec. Commission should be listed as such rather than being listed as "Guests". Motion by Kristen to accept minutes as corrected. Second by John. All in favor.
2. Public Comments – None.
3. Chairman's report – the Rotary Carnival will definitely not be held at Bauer Park.
4. Section Reports
  - a) Volunteer Coordinator Report – first volunteer for the festival has signed up. Hadar and Ann will start the main recruiting of volunteers in early August.
  - b) Buildings and Grounds –
    - i) Turn out for the July 7 work day was excellent and a lot got done. Next work day will be August 4 from 9-11.
    - ii) Possible locations for memorial benches were discussed – near orchard, near farming project facing orchard, near old community gardens, daffodil hill.
  - c) Public Relations and Publicity Report – Nothing to report.
  - d) Gardens Report –
    - i) Vent openers in the greenhouse are not working very well.
    - ii) Discussed the need to come up with projects for gardeners to do in lieu of physical work, e.g., obtaining clothes for scarecrows.
5. Old Business –
  - a) 5-year plan –
    - i) Plaques mounted on stones have been placed by two memorial trees. Ted suggested that we require fieldstone only be used for mounting and that we set maximum dimensions for the stones.
    - ii) Discussion of options for mulching around fruit trees to stop weeds, protect trunks from mouse and weedwhacker damage.
  - b) Dog Park –

- i) Ruthanna, John and Scot had a successful walk through on the original proposed location and the consensus was that it would work well.
  - ii) John made a motion to endorse locating the dog park in the area of the reclaimed east field within the Woodland Trail. Ruthanna seconded. All voted in favor.
6. Harvest Festival –
- a) Falconer who was to be the main event does not have (and does not want to get) insurance but is required by the town to have insurance. It would cost \$1,300 to get insurance through the town. Suggested that the falconer investigate getting the necessary coverage through his homeowners' policy.
  - b) Town website has been updated and has information for festival sponsors.
  - c) Pam Meier's daughter will do the artwork for this year's festival but is away until August 17. Suggestion made that Pam be asked to recycle some old posters so that something could be distributed to potential sponsors soon.
  - d) Pam Greene proposed having a table at Beachcomber Night on August 16.
  - e) Next Harvest Festival meeting will be held Monday, August 6 at 7:30 pm.
7. House update – Nothing to report.
8. New Business – future projects should include pond dredging and rebuilding the dam on the small pond.

#### Adjournment

Motion made by Holly to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Ruthanna and all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.