

# TOWN OF DEKORRA

## PARK COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, August 6, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.  
Dekorra Town Hall – W8460 Bilkie Road

(The following actions may occur on any business listed below: recommendations for approval/disapproval, consultations, review and/or discussions.)

- 1) Call to Order: 6:35
- 2) Roll call: Marty Schmidt, Lloyd Simpson, ~~Mark Niebuhr~~, Bob Acker, Angela Redington, Deb Scherer
- 3) Approve minutes: Motion – Angela Redington; Second – Bob Acker.
- 4) Public comment(s): none
- 5) Discuss outcome of recruiting volunteers at the fireworks: We received nine volunteers with email addresses/phone numbers. The large map for visitors to “pin” where they live was very successful (it was a conversation ice breaker). Let’s contact the new volunteers to offer projects needing to be completed. Start with a phone call and follow up with email. Parks Commission recommends all future Fireworks to include the component of recruiting of volunteers. Include a small sign at the official Dekorra posting boards to continue recruiting volunteers. The Commission needs to get organized with identifying work for volunteers.
- 6) Discuss updates to the Comprehensive Park and Outdoor Recreation Plan: The Parks Commission review the plan and identified updates. Commission recommends including this plan as a chapter in the Town’s Comprehensive Plan. Motion – Deb Scherer; Second – Marty Schmidt.
- 7) Old Business
  - a. Finish painting Town Hall: Work is complete. Painters indicated the gym could use another coat. We’re waiting until decision on town hall is made before applying more paint.
  - b. Paint playground equipment at Town Hall: Primer paint has begun to go on. Looking for volunteers to paint.
  - c. Designate parking at Camp Rest: Pushing this off until the property lines are defined. There are two clean up orders on Tipperary Road; one of them is near this location. Bob, Mark and Marty will look for the “pins” in September.

- d. Purchased landscaping for parks: Complete. Continue to water the trees at all locations.
- e. Install basketball standards at Happy Hollow Park: This is up to Lions to determine when to this work. Greg Falk is to dig the holes for the standards for free. This will be followed up on.
- f. Repairs to water hand pumps: Country Plumber is not responding. Dekorra pump needs to be fixed first. It has budgeted money.
- g. List of upcoming projects:
  - i. There are many dead trees on property line right away. Marty will contact Greg Falk about removing branches at Camp Rest.
  - ii. Recruit volunteers: Call the “new” volunteers to let them know about Primer and painting needs at Town Hall playground.

#### 8) New Business/Updates

- a. Review language for sign for refurbished water well at Dekorra Park: Historical Society helped with restoring the site. Discussion regarding the wording for the sign.
- b. Increase in park shelter fees: Currently at \$5 for a daily rental. Marty feels this cost is not enough to cover costs. Commission agrees that a fee of residents at \$50, non-resident \$75. Rental hours are between park hours. All fee monies are used by the Parks Commission.
  - i. Need permanent signage for the various rental locations.
  - ii. Include rental information to the Town website to promote the ability to rent shelters. It includes: Hickory Oaks and Camp Rest have shelters. The Town Hall is rentable if the Town Board agrees to include it for rental.
- c. Schofield cemetery damage and repairs: On July 25, someone ran the stop sign on Thompson Road crossed Highway 51 and drove into the cemetery. Damaged includes a fence and two headstones. Will raise concern with Town Board and ask for direction to proceed.
- d. Need adult swings at Camp Rest.
- e. Tennis court lines have been repainted.
- f. Some picnic tables were damaged at the Fireworks event.
- g. Lakeside had two of our picnic tables on their property. This happen as part of the return of picnic tables after the Fireworks. John the grass cutter was told to move them to Camp Perry. One was stainless steel and the other was black in color.
- h. Discussed upcoming meeting schedule.
- i. Next meeting will be September 15.

#### 9) Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.