

Park Board Meeting  
January, 12, 2016 at City Hall

Present: Mike Gruhlke, Jack Walsh, John Tate, Mike Handevidt, Michael Haeffner, George Tauer, Lynne Anderson

Absent: Mike Gilbert

1. Olson Log Cabin—item from last meeting. Mike Handevidt reported that the cabin is dry. We will leave it for now. Next Spring George will check it after rains and we will deal with it then, if roof work is necessary.
2. Warming House—Michael has checked out the new warming house and approved. It is ready, but not open, because there is open water on the river. Probably in the next couple days.
3. Veterans' Park—Mike Gruhlke stopped at Heron Lake to get information about their memorial. He gave John Tate the names of Dave Henkel and Carol Wagner—they spearheaded the project. The Park Board wants to move forward with Veteran's Park—the area from Ashley Street to White Street. Because the Council needs more information about materials, city crew labor, possible funding and maintenance; Jennifer will be invited to the February meeting. John and George will present a sketch of the project, costs, and work needed so she is updated on our plans.
4. Fence for Dog Park-- George has time to get fencing inside and see how much we have. He will report at the next meeting.
5. DNR Grant— Deadline is March 31st. Jennifer has agreed to help write it. Board agreed to do the restroom and add a shelter as the other recreation facility needed to comply with the grant. Perhaps it could be connected to the restroom? George will contact CXT (prefab) to see if they can draw up this type of structure and keep it within spending limits. We will then make a decision at our February meeting.
6. Budget carryover— at year end, there was \$10,586 carried over for Park projects. To date, there is \$18,608 for park projects. The total available is \$29,194.00.
7. Community Foundation Fund—the donation earmarked for the Story Boards for the Dam has not been received at this time. When it is received the fund's new name will be: "Jackson City Parks." Donations can be made to that fund.
8. Sam Espey—Lynne has invited Sam to our February meeting. He is the new owner of It's A Keep Two and Bike Shop. He also has a Bike Rink in the basement of the building and would like to work on a BMX track.
9. Next Meeting will be February 9, 2016 at City Hall.

Respectfully submitted by Lynne Anderson.