

Park Board Meeting

March 8, 2016

City Hall 5:30

Present: John Tate, Mike Handevitd, George Tauer, Mike Gruhlke, Michael Haeffner, Lynne Anderson

Absent: Jack Walsh, Mike Gilbert

1. **DNR Grant:** Jennifer has written the DNR grant for Phase I for Memorial Park. It is for \$93,742 with a match from the City of Jackson. It includes engineering, picnic areas, trail construction, canoe Launch and interpretative signs. The Park Board did not get information to Jennifer in time, so the DNR grant for the restroom in Dumont will not be submitted at this time. George will measure area and bring ideas for unisex restroom or restroom/shelter to the next meeting and we will continue to try for a grant.

2. George's Report

-Dog fence: Still too wet to measure to see how much fence we will need.

-Dam Story Boards: Will be put up as soon as George can get to them. He will also check on the pictures taken during demolition of the dam.

-Lawnmower: new Toro lawnmower will cost \$22,393.00. Old mower will be sold and the proceeds will go into the Park Fund. A motion by John and seconded by M. Gruhlke to recommend to the City Council that we purchase the Toro lawnmower. Passed unanimously.

-Retirement: George will retire on April 29th and we will miss him! Congratulations, George! We look forward to working with Phil Markman.

3. **GMRPTC**—Greater MN Regional Parks and Trails Commission—Our District is 5 and a meeting will be held in New Ulm on March 17 at the Civic Center from 9:00 to 11:00. Jacqueline and Lynne plan on attending. Let Jacqueline know if you want to attend.

4. **Next meeting** is April 12 at 5:30 at City Hall. Respectfully submitted by Lynne Anderson