

**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015**

- 1. Roll Call**
- 2. Approval of the December 3, 2014 Minutes**
- 3. Approval of the 2015 Tree Care Operations**
- 4. Update from Restroom sub-committee**
- 5. Adjournment**

Roll Call

Present: Bahling, Freckmann, Glodosky, McDonald, Okonek, Ald. O'Meara, West,

Excused: Ald. Slowinski, Ald. Wiza, Sorenson, Hall

Also Present: Director Tom Schrader, Betty Bruski Mallek

Happy Birthday Ald. O'Meara!

2. Approval of the December 3, 2014 Minutes

Motion by Okonek, seconded by Ald. O'Meara, to approve the December 3, 2014 minutes and place them on file.

Ayes all; Nays none; Motion carried.

3. Approval of the 2015 Tree Care Operations

Director Schrader reviewed the memo to the Park Commissioners from the City Forester Todd Ernster. The Forester solicited quotes from six tree vendors which have expressed interest in the project in the past. Two quotes were received back and the Tree Fella Company inquired on their own. The quotes received were reviewed and found acceptable based upon comparables in the surrounding communities. The quote is within budget and includes tree removal, stump removal and pruning services to be conducted by December 31, 2015 or until funds are expended.

Motion by Ald. O'Meara, seconded by Glodosky, to approve the quote from The Tree Fella Company Tree Service in the amount of \$21,130.00.

Ayes all; Nays none; Motion carried.

4. Update from Restroom sub-committee

Director Schrader showed drawings of Mead Park and Pfiffner Pioneer Park. In Mead Park the idea is to replace the shelter/restrooms with a new structure. We're working on the specs for the structure and will get out requests for proposals. There was a suggestion to add field stone like at Iverson Park so there would be some kind of theme in the parks. Once a structure is chosen it can be bid out. If there is money left it is proposed to tie in a blacktop trail system to the shelter.

In Pfiffner Pioneer Park the bathroom structure behind the band shell is the other part of this project. Plan One would be just to replace the bathroom structure this year. The playground equipment is not scheduled to be replaced until next year. Money is in the budget to replace the playground equipment at Kozickowski Park this year and maybe the two could be flipped and the playground equipment could be replaced along with the work being done on the restrooms. Plan Two would include the bathrooms, the playground equipment and possibly the Green Circle upgrade all

together. The Green Circle Committee is proposing to redo the Green Circle in this area this year. Maybe a comprehensive plan could be drawn up and we could solicit sponsors to back this plan for the reconstruction of this area including the Green Circle trail head, the playground equipment and the new restrooms.

Construction at Mead Park can be done anytime but at Pfiffner the construction of the bathrooms may need to wait until October when events in the Park slow down. The playground equipment can be phased in either late in October or not until next spring.

The Commissioners feel that by re-doing this area at this time we can make a nice entrance to the park. The sub-committee will continue to work on their proposals for the Commission.

The Forestry Department update was reviewed by the Commissioners at this time.

5. Adjournment

Motion by Okonek, seconded by Glodosky, to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes all; Nays none; Motion carried. 6:45 p.m.