

PARKS DEPARTMENT
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PARKS COMMITTEE Minutes
4: 00 PM. Feb. 19, 2019
City Hall- 1st Floor Large Conference Room

Roll Call: Present: Ron De Valois, Nick Laninga
Others: Mayor Korthuis, Mike Martin, Vern Meenderinck
Absent with Notice: Mark Wohlrab
Guests: Harlan Kredit, Hank Roorda, Rick Lair

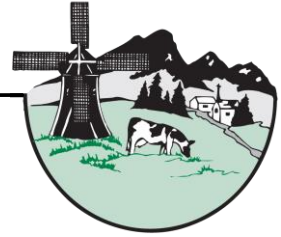
1. Action Items:

- a. **Minutes from Jan. 22 were approved as presented**
- b. **Fence issue with Fisher Trail.**
-The fence along the trail at Fisher came down a second time.
Vern is pursuing whether the fence company will repair it or if Parks Department will need to reinstall it again. Discussed removing the slats. Vern will contact the neighbors to get their input.

2. Information items:

- a. **Glennings Street property- Update from Harlan**
Mr. Kredit gave an update on the progress of the Glennings street committee and requested the opportunity to speak to council with their request for assistance from the City and ways to make the whole process work without the City being totally responsible for funding the majority of the project.
Agreed to have the committee to make a presentation to council
- b. **Master Plan community survey- over 400 responses so far**
The community survey has gone live, and has received over 400 responses so far. The committee is hoping for more responses and looking forward to what the community has to say about Parks and Trails for Lynden.
- c. **Greenfield Fence update:**
Letters were sent to all neighbors of Greenfield Village informing them the City would be removing the fence around Greenfield Park.
So far a number of citizens have requested that their section of the fence be retained. They were informed that Parks Department would leave their section of fence if so desired; but the City would no longer be maintaining the fence after it was removed or retained by the neighbors.

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d. Discussion regarding meeting with Rec. District re: bond

-Expectations from the City side?

Discussion relating to the bond, reaffirmed the City's desire for the bond to remain at \$ 3 million dollars with the majority of the bond be for trail development, Benson Park development and a part for smaller projects such as the Glenning Street property if that is approved for purchase.

Parks committee will meet with the District again at their next meeting on March 13.

3. Items added

Discussion about Berthusen Park dog issue and dogs off leash in other areas.

Nancy has been in contact with the county and the humane society regarding who would be the lead agency at Berthusen relating to dog issues.

Will be contacting other municipalities to check on their ordinances relating to dogs off leash and what should be required for Berthusen as it is outside the City limits.

At the very least we will probably need additional signage with ordinance numbers listed etc.

Next meeting: March 18