

**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 20, 2008**

The meeting of the Parks & Rec. Board was called to order on October 20, 2008 at 5:00 PM at the Algoma Youth Club.

Members Present: Marge Rodrian, Jan Dart, Scott Ryan & Steve Anderson

Also present: Terry Qualman, Brad Eastman, Grant Ross, Nick Raine, Ryan Goodwin & Terry Magno

Moved by Ryan second by Anderson to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Brad Eastman discussed adjusting repairs to the baseball field now that the council cut the \$9,000.00 for this from the budget. He will get back to the committee with a revised proposal.

Three youths approached the committee asking for a place for a BMX/skateboard park. Our committee suggested they try using Olson Park or De Meuse Park for gatherings and biking. Also suggested they contact Ken Taylor who had previously done some fundraising for a skate park.

Moved by Ryan second by Anderson to approve last month's meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Bills were reviewed. Moved by Anderson second by Rodrian to approve the bills. Motion carried.

Director's Report:

- Trees and bushes at Newman Park have been trimmed. Dead trees and limbs have been removed. Stumps have been removed and 3 new trees planted.
- The post homecoming party at the Youth Club had 120 kids attend.
- 11 exit lights have been replaced at the Community Building.
- The Halloween walk at Peterson Park will be October 25th and 26th.
- Next month the committee will review AHS contract for use of Perry Field and Peterson Park.
- Halloween in Algoma will be celebrated on Friday October 31st. The Algoma Medical Center will have a party for kids from 1:30 PM – 4:00 PM. Trick or Treat hours are from 4:30 PM – 6:30 PM. The Youth Club party for younger children will be from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM and from 7:30 PM- 9:30 PM for older kids.
- Park of lights on the Legion grounds will again be held this year. The deadline to sponsor a trees is November 3rd. Tree decorating will be from November 19th – November 26th. The lights will be lit from November 27th – January 4th.

Old Business:

- The Halloween Party will be October 31st. Trick or Treat hours will be 4:30 PM – 6:30 PM. The Algoma Long Term Care Center will be welcoming Trick or Treaters between 1:30 PM – 4:00 PM. The Youth Club will be open from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM for grades 3 and lower for hot dogs, pizza, sodas and more with a prize drawing for over \$200.00 in prizes. Rock Que will provide music from 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM for kids in grades 4 – 12.

New Business:

- The committee discussed items that have been cut from the 2009 budget.
- Citizens had asked for a gate and fencing to the river for De Meuse Park to keep dogs in. The committee discussed that De Meuse Park is not just a dog park but rather a park where dogs are allowed.
- The committee discussed the big slide and the steps at Peterson Park that are deteriorating. The committee will review this next spring.

Next meeting will be Monday, November 24th at 5:00 PM.

Moved by Ryan second by Anderson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 6:05 PM.