

FLORENCE TOWNSHIP PARKS COMMISSION

Minutes

August 3, 2021

Parks Commission Meeting was brought to order at 6:pm by Brent Urbach.

Commission members in attendance were Tom Johnson, Brent Urbach, Peggy Knudsen, Ted Tollefson and Mike Blair.

1.The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

3.July 6th minutes were read and corrected

Park Updates:

1.Wakondiota: Lynne and Dan Staker reported on playground fundraising. Donations have been arriving.

2.Swimming Beach and Boat Ramp: Brent Urbach is taking responsibility for the dock purchase. He will take both bids to Sportsmen's Club and ask what they want. Beach signs have been installed by Joe Ellingson. Thank you Joe!

4.Steamboat: . The Chateau Frontenac HOA claims no responsibility for wall repair or path creation. Town Board is reaching out to Dave Amundson to discuss this issue.

"No Power Loading" signs and boulders for North Steamboat are being installed.

5.Valhalla: Jane reported there was spot spraying and mowing mid-July. A walk-thru on 7/20th took place. Planting ideas were discussed.

A third larger grant is being applied for in Fall 2021. Powerline erosion areas in Valhalla exist in front of Barton and Garrard intersection and behind Chateau Frontenac. Xcel Energy has a program to uses native plants and grasses in powerline erosion areas. Tom Gnotke or a Supervisor will call Excel about this.

6.Community Center and Frontenac Station: Balance Beam and Spinner

ride have been installed by Wally Siewert and crew.

7.Concerns:

- 1. Gravel pushed onto oak tree trunk at boat landing.**
- 2. Light from the Excel light which lights the boat landing and parking lot concerns a nearby resident. He feels the light disrupts the dark night sky.**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15