

## PARK COMMISSION MINUTES

February 5, 2025

Meeting called to order 9:35am

Commission members in attendance: Fred Belay, Jennifer Meyer, Kathy Alf, Tom Roach, Barb Kleist, Dean Kallenbach, and Tony Bischel; guest Cindy Halfen from Chippewa Valley Biodiversity Group

Adopt agenda; motion made by Kathy/sec Jennifer and passed.

Approval of January 8, 2025 minutes; motion made by Jennifer/sec Tom and passed.

### Financial Report

Total expenses paid in January total \$ 2,582.04 Total year to date \$ 2,582.04

Town of Union Treasurer Report dated January 14, 2025 shows Visit EC Dest. Dev. Balance \$ 30,710.99 correct balance should be \$ 50,305.83 per Visit EC as of 12/5/24 variance totals \$ 19,594.84 The Town Treasurer will work on correcting the balance on the monthly reports . The Nicolet Park Checking shows a balance of \$ 4,263.86 of which \$ 2,086.00 is for the Ayleen Bain Memorial.

No work log hours to report.

No invoices to approve.

Motion to approve financial report made by Jennifer/ sec Dean and passed.

### Parks Discussion

#### Sherman Creek Park

Barb, Jennifer and Tommy shared a letter from Mike Dahlby from Dahlby Conservation Services, LLC. regarding the Sherman School run-off. His preliminary conclusion is that the erosion is on Town owned land, but that the primary cause of the issue appears to be runoff from adjacent School property. The problem will continue to worsen. There did not appear to be any recent deposition in Sherman Creek; however that is likely to happen in the foreseeable future. The point of active erosion will continue to move upgradient and would eventually undercut the land around and under the culvert.

#### Conservancy

Tony presented options for the porta-potty project. He had several options and quotes. The most promising option is from Huffcutt Concrete in Chippewa Falls. The Teal Vault Toilet with 2 stalls is approximately \$ 28,000 which includes delivery and setting. Additional cost is anticipated for site work.

The electrical panel was damaged by the Eau Claire County Highway Department while plowing snow. Paul Travis has reviewed the damage. Some of the repairs will not be possible until weather permits.

Barb received the results from the survey done by visit Eau Claire. There was no information on the Town of Union. It primarily had information about the City of Eau Claire.

### Old Business

Dean reported that Bit and Spur Club and Visit Eau Claire continue to connect. They are exploring possible grants for their anniversary celebration.

### New Business

Cindy Halfen from Chippewa Valley Biodiversity Group shared information she has gathered from the DNR while working on the Plymouth United Church invasive species project. They have approximately 4 acres on Moholt Drive in Eau Claire.

### Next meeting: Wednesday, March 5 @ 9:30am

Meeting adjourned at 11:35am motion made by Kathy/ sec Jennifer and passed.

