

Meeting called to order by Kellie Flaherty at 5:00 p.m.

Members present: Eric Jorgensen, Brian Nelson, Kellie Flaherty.

Others present: Gary Johnson, Jesse Mattocks, Ted Ball, Rebecca Palm, Seth Ilgen, David Patterson.

Public comments. It was noted by Chair Kellie Flaherty that all public comments must be germane to the agenda. Jesse Mattocks stated he would like to provide public comment regarding pickleball. It was noted by Chair Kellie Flaherty that public comment related to pickleball was not germane to the agenda.

To consider and possible act to approve the agenda. **Motion by Eric Jorgensen to approve the agenda. Second by Kellie Flaherty. All in Favor. Carried.**

Discussion and possible action regarding benches, Scotty & Tristan Divine. The Divine family was not in attendance. It was noted by DPW, David Patterson, that there are many donated benches throughout the Village. **Motion by Brian Nelson to ask the Divine Family to attend the next Parks Committee Meeting to discuss their bench donation proposal that included the type of materials the benches would be made and general installation information. Second by Eric Jorgensen. All in Favor. Carried.**

Discussion and possible action regarding tree and shrub donation use for 2026. It was noted by the Clerk that through fundraising efforts so far in 2026, the Village has received the following donations from the public: \$160.00 for Trees & Shrubs, \$35.00 for Pine Trees, and \$130.00 for Docks. Rebecca Palm was in attendance. She noted that the Village should consider planting hardy, shade trees on Village property near where the Demo Derby is held. It was noted by Rebecca Palm that some shade from the trees would benefit people attending the Demo Derby and the workers. It was noted that the Village could contact the Polk County DNR forester to help select trees and to see if there were any grants available to the Village.

Discussion and possible action regarding future park development, Peter Nelton. Peter Nelton was not in attendance. It was noted by the Board that Peter Nelton has donated his land to the Village to be used as a nature park. Peter Nelton has expressed great interest in proposed landscaping projects including rocks, grass and natural grass walking trails. It was noted by Kellie Flaherty that she contacted a surveyor and noted there are State Highway Road right of way laws. It was noted if Peter Nelton wanted to place rocks on his property, he could at his own cost but should be mindful of the right of way laws. It was also noted that if Peter Nelton wanted to plant trees, ornamental grass and shrubs on his property, he could do so without Village permission. It was also noted that Peter Nelton could also work with Pro-Lawn to develop a master plan for Maple Leaf Park. It was also noted if the Village wanted to add having a bathroom for the public, that would need to be added to the agreement.

Motion by Brian Nelson to adjourn. Second by Eric Jorgensen. All in Favor. Carried. 5:17 p.m.

Amy Wilson, Clerk Treasurer

Anna Ball, Deputy Clerk Treasurer