

**VILLAGE OF PLOVER  
PARKS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
March 1, 2021  
5:15 PM**

Members Present: Steve Fritz, Kendra Schiefelbein, Gary Portzen, Kraig Brooks, Larry Schweitz, Mike Helmrick, Mike McGinley

Others Present: Dan Mahoney, Steve Kunst, Bill Konkol, Orv Damrau, Roy Hopfensperger, Gary Wolf

1. Mr. Fritz called the meeting to order at 5:24 p.m.

Mr. Kunst confirmed that members received their packets via email.

2. Mr. Brooks moved and Mr. Schweitz seconded approval of the minutes of April 27, 2020 and February 1, 2021 as printed.

**3. There were no persons wishing to address the Committee.**

**4. Replacement of wells at Little Plover River Park and Woyak Park.**

Mr. Hopfensperger reviewed the request to replace two wells located at Woyak Park and Little Plover River Park, both of which are over 25 years old and are likely to fail during the 2021 season. They cannot be refurbished. There is not funds in the Parks Capital Improvement Fund for the wells; however, there are funds in the budget for playground replacement. The playground replacement could be put on hold and those funds could be used for the well replacement. Funds would then be replaced for the 2022 Parks Capital Improvement Reserve Fund for replacement of playground equipment. Mr. Konkol and Mr. Hopfensperger recommend approval.

**\*\*\*\*RECOMMENDATION TO VILLAGE BOARD \*\*\*\*Mr. Brooks moved and Mr. Schweitz seconded to recommend approval to replace the wells at Little Plover River Park and Woyak Park and amending the Parks Capital Improvement Funds approved by staff to put the playground equipment replacement on hold. Motion carried.**

**5. PWYA – Live streaming baseball/softball games at Woyak Sports Complex.**

Steve Mancl from PWYA reviewed the request to have LiveBarn live stream the baseball/softball games at the Woyak Sports Complex. The only cost to the Village is providing electricity. LiveBarn would provide the cameras and the internet. It would not have any impact on the technology the Village has at the park. People can subscribe for \$15 per month to watch the games. Mr. Mancl has checked with other communities and has received positive feedback.

LiveBarn will bring signage indicating the games are livestreamed which will cover the liability of having people on camera.

**\*\*\*\*RECOMMENDATION TO VILLAGE BOARD \*\*\*\*** Mr. McGinely motioned and Mr. Portzen seconded to recommend approval of the request for PWYA – Live streaming baseball/softball games at Woyak Sports Complex. Motion carried.

#### **6. Boy Scout Eagle project – Wayfinding signage for Woyak Sports Complex – 2381 Cedar Dr.**

PWYA is working with a local Eagle Scout to install three, 16 square foot wayfinding signs within the Woyak Community Sports Complex which are intended to provide visitors an overview of the complex. Tim Sackman, 3440 Royal Oak Dr, of Troop 298, stated the signs will be oriented based on where you enter the park. Mr. Mahoney stated these will be similar to “You are here” signs. Mr. McGinley suggested to have the signs covered by existing surveillance cameras to deter vandalism.

**\*\*\*\*RECOMMENDATION TO VILLAGE BOARD \*\*\*\*** Mr. McGinely motioned and Mr. Helmrick seconded to recommend approval of the request for Boy Scout Eagle project – Wayfinding signage for Woyak Sports Complex -2381 Cedar Dr. with the security of cameras looked into. Motion carried.

#### **7. Scoreboard addition at Easlan-Weslan Park baseball field – 2200 Cedar Dr**

Plover Whiting Youth Athletics requests a Site Plan approval for the installation of a digital scoreboard at Weslan Field within Easlan-Weslan Park. The height of the sign will be approximately 15 feet. The proposed scoreboard is consistent with the nearby existing scoreboard at Heinz Field. It was confirmed this doesn't come from Village money. Corey Giese 7568 Twin Lakes Dr, confirmed the scoreboard will be wireless.

**\*\*\*\*RECOMMENDATION TO VILLAGE BOARD \*\*\*\*** Mr. Brooks motioned and Mr. McGinley seconded to recommend approval of the request for the scoreboard addition at Easlan-Weslan Park baseball field – 2200 Cedar Dr.

#### **8. Lake Pacawa Park – Phase 2 Site Redevelopment project bid update.**

Mr. Mahoney gave an update on the bids. The total projected cost of the project is \$4.2 million. The bids were \$200,000 below the Village's most recent cost estimate. The Village of Plover will look to fund half of the cost using TIF funds and fundraising will fund the other half. There has been \$375,000 raised so far. They will look into options regarding naming rights on various pieces of the project. SPASH students created a promotional video as well as Mission Coffee House promoting this project. Mr. Helmrich reviewed the alternative bid pieces of the project. The bids will go to the Village Board later this month. Mr. Mahoney will work on getting the SPASH promotional video to members so they can view it. Mr. Fritz added that the Village is currently looking into the possibility of purchasing the Darrell and Louise Parks

property adjacent to Lake Pacawa. Mr. Mahoney stated TIF funds could be used for that purchase. The size of the beach at Lake Pacawa was discussed. Mr. Brooks asked about the use of the soccer fields. Mr. Hopfensperger stated teams can schedule games on the fields but they are not for league practices which cause damage to the field due to overuse.

There was no action needed on this agenda item.

9. There was no other business as is authorized by law.

10. Mr. Schweitz motioned and Mr. Helmrich seconded to adjournment at 6:11 p.m.

Submitted by Tammy Wojtalewicz