VILLAGE OF NEW AUBURN, BARRON & CHIPPEWA COUNTIES, WISCONSIN

Park Committee Meeting Report Tuesday May 20th, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

At 5:00 p.m. Village Treasurer Teresa Dachel called the meeting to order.

In attendance was Committee Members Tiffany Goodremote, Shannon Berg, Ashely Sarauer and Gary Pitts.

Other Village staff in attendance were Village Treasure/Deputy Clerk (TDC) Teresa Dachel and Public Works (PW) Garrett Larson.

TDC Dachel conducted Park Committee elections. Berg nominated Sarauer for Park Chair and she accepted. Committee approved. Sarauer nominated Goodremote for Park Vice-Chair and she accepted. Committee approved. Goodremote nominated Berg for Park Secretary and she accepted. Committee approved. TDC Dachel spoke about the purpose of the Park Committee and its advisory status to bring forward ideas to improve our Park along with engaging resident/non-resident use. Ideas are brought forward to the Board to approve and determine what type of budget is needed to complete projects.

There were no public comments.

TDC Dachel provided updates on the Village Park Improvement (VPI) Project:

She spoke on the Wetland Delineation status. The Village has not heard from the Delineators as they are waiting for vegetation growth before providing their findings to the DNR. Goodremote mentioned that there are continual issues with the culvert under the railroad tracks that are prohibiting good water flow from the Goodremote property and Village Park.

AL North provided an update on the Veterans Memorial. They have almost met their goal on fundraising. Granite is almost ready. There is consideration as to having 3 flag poles instead of one. Benches were switched from granite to metal and are being manufactured locally. The hope is to have State Reps at the dedication on July 26th.

TDC Dachel provided an update on the bathrooms. Materials arrived 5/20, concrete work will start when weather straightens up, plumbing will follow concrete work. Lotts will be scheduled to erect the building once concrete work has cured. Xcel Energy and Citizens Connected will be contacted to start their process and last, PW will install bathroom fixtures if Plumber is not available. Inside finishing will happen in the fall.

PW Larson spoke on the erosion control project.

TDC Dachel spoke on how the Park Outlay account works and provided a balance update along with some expenses that will following. The Park Committee discussed the bid for cabinets and made a few changes so the Village can move forward with ordering. There was discussion on what to do if there is a balance available in the fall. Some would like to see a few new tables ordered and others would like to see the pavilion bathroom remodel to begin. Most agreed that the bathrooms should come first. PW Larson suggested watching WI Surplus for replacement tables.

VPI Fundraisers were reviewed:

• Even though the Kentucky Derby at Max's was not on the agenda, TDC Dachel did read a text regarding how much has been raised to date and that the Quilt Board needs to be filled yet. Amount to date is \$3200 with a potential of an additional \$2000.

- Rummage Sale for June 7, 2025 at the Pavilion: Discussion centered around volunteers, signage, stickers, cash box and start up cash. Berg will let TDC Dachel know of dates and times the last week of May for donation drop offs. It was noted that the newsletter is advertising the rummage sale beginning at noon on Friday. This is a mistake and will be corrected on the June newsletter. The committee would like the rummage sale advertised in the Bloomer Advance as well as Facebook.
- Other ideas: Berg would like to hold a polka and food event some time in August or September. The date decided is August 10th if Berg can find a band that will be available to play. A pulled pork or grilled chicken dinner was mentioned.

Next Park Committee is 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 17, 2025.

At 5:50 p.m. meeting adjourned by Berg and 2nd by Goodremote.

Signed

Shannon Berg, Park Committee Secretary and Village President