## VILLAGE OF NEW AUBURN, BARRON & CHIPPEWA COUNTIES, WISCONSIN

## Park Committee Meeting Report Tuesday August 19th, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by Park President Ashley Sarauer at 5:00 p.m.

Roll call - Present were Ashley Sarauer, Shannon Berg, Public Works Garrett Larson, Gary Pitts. Absent was Tiffany Goodremote. Also in attendance were Bradley Hanson, Teresa Dachel and Dan North

New Auburn American Legion Post #267 Commander Dan North was to update the Park Committee on the move of the Veterans Memorial from the NW area of the Park to the central area by the playground area due to the recent findings of the Wetland Delineation. Commander North also asked for the Park Committee to recommend a setback variance to the board of appeals. Motion by Shannon Berg to recommend a setback variance to the board of appeals, 2nd by Ashley Sarauer, motion carried 4-0.

PW Garrett Larson and Deputy Clerk/Treasure Teresa Dachel updated the committee on the bathroom progress, The building is up, plumbing, and electrical are all in, we are just waiting on the final electrical inspection, but due to some miscommunication we are waiting on that inspection. Garrett will continue to work on getting the minor things completed while waiting for that.

PWs Garrett Larson and Joe Koteras have all the new cabinets in at the pavilion, with the final bill coming in under budget.

Wetland delineation is completed, unfortunately the NW area is considered Wetland so we will need to update the Master Plan and keep any future building or additions to the East Side of the park. It was discussed that the future full court Basketball area be done in the same areas as it sits right now. Mowing in that area and storm water runoff area can still be moved and maintained as usual.

We need to do a WDNR Wetland application to see if we can get approved for a swale and/or gully for the area below the park bathrooms between that and the playground to GET the flow of run-off water Out of there and out to the storm water run-off creek. Brad and Teresa will move ahead with the application process.

Discussed the ADA compliant walking/scooter trail design from the south side of the bridge to the south side of the pavilion with a cross section to the east towards South East St. and west towards the Dollar General. Motion by Garrett Larson to move ahead with this plan and reach out to "Wild Bill" and see if he could finish that up for us, 2nd by Shannon Berg. Motion carried 4-0

Sold all the squares on our Gift card basket raffle, all numbers were put into a basket and community Member, McKinze Berg pulled the number 83 out and that number was registered to Pat North.

2026 Raffle ideas were discussed, maybe do a cheaper raffle instead of \$20, aim for a \$5 or \$10 option. See if we could have the Kentucky Derby again? Demo derby or a mud bog? President Sarauer asked if we could send out another survey to the community to see what they may be looking for at the park. Maybe share publicly what we are hoping to raise in funds to grow the park. Maybe a Facebook survey? Need to keep in mind what available for ADA.

There was no action on the Jamboree Days collaboration or appointment.

2026 Budget ideas - new seals on roll up doors, replacement of existing tables.

Next meeting is Sept. 16 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 by President Ashley Sarauer.

Signed:

Shannon Berg, Park Committee Secretary and Village President