Park Committee Meeting Monday, February 13, 2024 @ 3 pm Village of Iola Hall in Clerks Office

Meeting called to order by Rick Meyers at 3:00 pm followed by the reading of the Open Meeting Statement

Members present: Rick Meyers (chair), S. Dane, Pamela Parks, Missy Fenn-Deputy Clerk

CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK: Started talks of planning a Christmas in the Park at Taylor Field. After the annual Christmas parade on December 7, 2024. Meet down at Taylor field and have a Christmas Tree lighting. Caroling, Cocoa with Cops, food pantry donation, Offer a drive through from Dec 7 –January ??, 2025-Dusk until 10-11. Get area businesses involved to decorate a tree. Donation cans set up for various needs throughout the Village.

BRAT FRY(S): will be held at Sentry Grocery store again this summer. Rick will be getting a hold of them to get some dates scheduled. Sales will be for all the parks and activities, not just dog park.

ROSIE DOG PARK: has been getting a lot of use, very positive feedback from dog owners. Rick plans to reseed in March and get some trees planted. Talks with Glenn about getting the water source set up.

BENCHES: Looking for sponsors toward donation of more benches around dog park and the Pickleball Courts. Possible Car Show donate a bench as they are in the process of having the Waupaca Foundry produce over 50 benches for them.

BONE TAGS DONOR BOARD DISPLAY- Display will be set up at dog park this Spring.

PICKLEBALL COURT- discussion of setting up a form of time scheduling in 2–3-hour increments. Court is getting used all the time. Thinking of an easy way for people to sign up for court time.

PARK SHELTER- Glenn has proposed combining two shelters and have one new, with updated Refrigerator, numerous outlets. Checking into costs.

SPLASH PAD-if we combine two shelters, we will have room for a splash pad. Rick has been visiting other Splash Pads and feels it would not be overly expensive.

CHILDRENS GARDEN: We need a Childrens' Garden Teacher for this summer. The program runs from June-early September, depending on the weather. Two weeks off over Car Show. We have several people who have offered to assist, but do not want to be in charge. Shannon and Pamela told Rick about the Master Gardener Group in area counties. Rick is going to contact Waupaca County Master Garden Group and see if someone, a possible student, might be interested in leading the program this summer.

Shannon made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Pamela. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Missy Fenn.