



MINUTES OF AN OFFICIAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting will be held on the date, time and location shown below. Upon attaining a quorum of members, all items listed on the agenda shown below may be considered (discussed and/or acted upon).

Regular / Special Meeting: Parks & Recreation Committee

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 6:00 pm

Location: Deerfield Village Hall, 23 West Nelson St., Deerfield, WI 53531

Members Present: Chris Frutiger, Fredy Fry, Julie Haan, Kerri Hewitt

Members Excused: Tessa, Dunnington, Ryan Fankhauser
(Number of Members needed to meet quorum requirements: 4)

1. Roll Call

The Parks & Recreation Committee meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. All members present, except Dunnington, Fankhauser.

2. Announcements

a. The next regularly scheduled meeting is October 15, 2025

3. Approval of September 17, 2025 Parks & Recreation Committee Agenda.

Motion by Hewitt, second by Fry, to approve of the September 17, 2025 Parks and Recreation Committee Agenda. Motion carried unanimously (4 - 0).

4. Minutes of the August 20, 2025 Parks & Recreation Meeting.

Motion by Frutiger, second by Hewitt to approve the August 20, 2025 Parks & Recreation Committee meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously (4 - 0).

7. Update from Doug Quam on the Firemen's Pavilion Improvements

Work is completed in under three weeks and with donations total came to about \$1,000. The team did work on the garage doors were sitting on sand with original construction, so doors were pretty damaged. The doors now have concrete under them. Gutters and drains were installed. Paint the outside of the bathrooms, the same color as the trim. Color is bungalow gray from Hallman-Lindsey. Hallman-Lindsey will do buy one get one deal for non-profits, so Doug recommends going through them when it comes time to paint the bathrooms. Picnic tables were fixed with reduced prices with non-profits from Home Depot. Need to make sure

the picnic tables are brought inside in the winter. Residents will see it this weekend with the Fire Department's Fall Raffle. The door that goes outside from the middle section that is owned by the village needs to be fixed and could be included in a future budget. A changeable digital padlock is being put on the Pavilion that can be changed and given as needed. The water heater was replaced as well. Rail House Bar painted the dugouts

No action taken.

5. Request of Deerfield Volunteer Fire Department regarding electricity at Firemen's Park (continued from August 20, 2025)

Doug researched Alliant bills from February 2025 to the present. Verified meter numbers to ensure we are getting billed correctly and they do align. The electric meter from the pavilion and the gas meter from the hamburger stand are being billed together. The electric meter from the hamburger stand, we believe, is being paid by the village, as that is separate. Doug discovered that the electric closet for the hamburger stand was unlocked: this houses disconnect switches for the park.

Hamburger stand used to run of LP, now is a natural gas to feed the new grills and fryers for the Fireman's Festival that no longer exists. A Firemen's Park meter is continuously running when the village is only using it for approximately one to two months a year for ball games, the Fire Department, and Lions Club events. The meeting fees totaled \$151 in 7 months (\$14.36/mo). Most of the fees come from ball diamond lights and bathroom lighting.

Recommendation that the meter and billing ownership be transferred to the village and anytime the Fire Department would rent out the pavilion they would charge \$25 in rental fees to the renter and transfer those funds to the village.

Kerri recommends we get the Fireman's Pavilion rental agreement on the Deerfield website, as Clerk Gingher is working on getting the parks rental process with paying and reserving all online. Doug is going to connect the Fire Department staff with Clerk Gingher to discuss further

Coordination is needed between village staff and Alliant to fix the leaning electric meter. Clerk Gingher to let Public Works Director, Paoli to know to coordinate with Alliant and have them secure the meter to the pavilion so it is stable.

Hamburger stand gas meter ownership discussion will be tabled to the next Parks meeting on October 15.

Motion by Hewitt, second by Frutiger to recommend to the village board (at the October 13, 2025) that the village take over ownership of the electric meter billing at the Fireman's Park pavilion, and the Fire Department would provide the village with \$25/reservation for all pavilion reservations when renting out the pavilion. Motion carried unanimously (4 – 0).

6. Discussion and possible recommendation on the installation of a shuffleboard court

The village has built baseball fields, basketball courts, and pickleball courts for the residents and their well-being.

Fry would like to do the same with a shuffleboard court, which doesn't cost anything once you have the courts built, as players can provide their own equipment, which costs approximately \$60 for queues and discs.

Court dimensions: 52 long, 6 feet wide, 5 inches thick for a smooth court. On estimate stated it would cost \$5-7K to build the court (from M&B Concrete). In comparison, it costs \$50K for the pickleball courts. Fry is willing to put down half of the costs. Recommends that we see if the village and Lions Club could contribute some also. Recommends it could put it in Savannah (south end of the park) or Meadow Trace park by the high school. The closest court is in Janesville Meadow Trace Parks away). They also offer classes, but require players to bring their equipment.

Julie offers to get this in front of the Lions Club to potentially see if some funds can be provided. Hewitts recommends getting more estimates and more specifics on where to potentially locate it. Fry would like to keep it on the Parks meeting agenda in upcoming meetings.

Motion by Frutiger, second by Fankhauser, to approve continuing the discussion on the installation of a shuffleboard court when more costs estimates are known and a location is established. Motion carried unanimously (6 – 0).

7. Adjournment

Motion by Hann, second by Fry to adjourn the Parks & Recreation Committee meeting at 7:02 p.m. Motion carried unanimously (4 – 0).

Respectfully submitted by:
Brandon Gingher, Village Clerk