

# MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF OMRO PLANNING COMMISSION

Omro Town Hall, 4205 Rivermoor Road, Omro, WI

May 5, 2022

6:30 P.M.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the Town of Omro Web Page and the posting board at the Omro Town Hall. It was mailed to the Omro Herald and the Oshkosh Northwestern.

Present: Commissioners Bruce Roskom, Brian Noe, Barbara Meyers, Joy Schwarz, Larry Remer, and Phil Ertmer.

Absent: Allen Silverthorn

Chairman Bruce Roskom called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

## **Approve Minutes:**

MOTION: Phil Ertmer moved to approve the minutes of April 14, 2022. Larry Remer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **Announcements and Reports:**

No announcements or reports.

## **Discussion/Informational Items**

### 1. Continued Discussion on Parks Maintenance

Brian Noe reported back on the liability responsibility of the Town for any playground equipment which might be installed in the Town parks. He said that playground standards must be met for the equipment, i.e. "certified, legitimate equipment" and that no extra insurance would be needed exclusively for the parks, citing that municipal immunity applies up to \$50,000 and then "insurance covers the rest". Brian explained that other insurance might be needed to cover damage or theft.

Barbara Meyers wrote out the maintenance schedule for each park and gave a copy to each commissioner. She listed tasks pertaining to each month of the growing season and other issues which need attention, such as "Cans for the Parks", which are collected at the Town dump site and cashed in to provide a resource for park equipment. Priske Park has had the least attention over the previous two years due to Covid. It needs path widening, ongoing prairie burning (provided in the past by the Omro Fire Department), and weed control around the park signs.

The larger issue which was settled at this meeting is the maintenance "who and how" for each park. Mark Krings and Phil Ertmer have made the commitment to mow and maintain the two parks. Their monetary compensation will be determined after they have mowed the parks and know the time needed and equipment required to complete the job.

Bruce Roskom and the commissioners concluded that the Parks will be under the direct authority of the Planning Commission and that no separate subcommittee is needed at this time. Mark agreed to report

on the condition and needs of each park at the regular PC meetings.  
It was suggested to utilize the Town website to inform the public of ongoing needs/projects of both parks.

**Adjournment:**

MOTION: Barbara Meyers moved to adjourn. Joy Schwarz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

This meeting adjourned at 6:52 P.M.

Minutes by

Cheryl Gardner/Recording Secretary