

- I. Present: Bob Krinke, Char Graff, Steve Flaig, Norman Bedner, Bill Schaffran, Lydell Sik, Kelly & Brian Pfarr, Joe Dietl, David Irlbeck, Ron Kelsey, John Schueller
- II. Overview of Kuhar Park Project to date
  - a. Survey of Community – start with park improvement (suggestions below)
    - 1. New showers and restrooms
    - 2. Additional campsites
    - 3. Clean up the back (west) area of the park for public use
    - 4. Improve the shelters in the park
    - 5. Clean up the banks of the river and shore up the eroded banks
    - 6. Addition of playground equipment and a game area/picnic area
    - 7. Trails within the park
    - 8. Set up a frisbee golf course
    - 9. Improve access to the river for fishing and enjoyment
    - 10. Improved signage for the park
  - b. Meeting with DNR representative, Phil Nasby
- III. Membership Input & Involvement in the Project: Each person shared their interest in the project and where they thought they could provide the most support.

Ron commented that the Lions could help with the cost for the environmental and other studies needed for the grant. Kelly has submitted a successful grant in the past and is willing to help write grants for the park. Brian works for Redwood County Natural Resources Conservation Service, and will be very helpful as a resource for government resources and contacts. He is willing to start the process of the cultural resource permit, Native American permit, surveying and cost estimates for stream banks stabilization, a permit to dig out/fill in the pond, and hazard tree removal within the park. Steve is willing to be a liaison between the grant writer and the city and other government entities. Ron is willing to be on the work crew and help with writing; he is a member of the Lions. Bill is Mayor of Lamberton and is willing to help with the work crew. Joe is willing to help with

promotions. Lydell is on the city council and willing to help where needed. John will be our county resource person and has DNR/MN DOT contacts as well. Dave has equipment and knowledge to help with the clean-up of the park. Norman is willing to help with fundraisers. Bob will help with fundraising and is also a Lions member. Char will lend organizational and planning skills for the project and could assist with the grant writing.

Discussion of the following questions took place: What to do about people who are burning in the back area of the park? If we do work before the grant is awarded, will we get reimbursed? (no) Are the angled pads for the new camp pads going to be easy to back into? How do we decide what is going to be part of the grant and what isn't? Will we limit electrical capability and size of campers? Do we want to have a storm shelter built into the bathhouse/restroom?

The group concurred that the first step is to get financial support from the public, and that the logical priority would be the bathhouse/restroom

- IV. Mission Statement Review: if anyone has input or suggestions, please contact Char.

**Kuhar Park meets the community's need to connect with nature, gather with family & friends and play together.**

- V. Creation of Kuhar Park Board

*One vote per person*

Title	Person Serving
Chair	Char Graff
Vice Chair	Ron Kelsey
Secretary	Kelly Pfarr
Treasurer	Steve Flaig
Work Crew Committee Chairs	Bill Schaffran & David Irlbeck
Promotions Committee Chair	Joe Dietl
Fundraising Committee Chair	Brian Pfarr
Finance Committee	Executive Committee

- VI. Fundraising activities

Commercial Club Chili Feed and Wild Game Feed – Char will make up a donation box and we will have the engineered drawings and pictures set up at a table for these two events.

Sons of the American Legion (SAL) has an food license that could add one more event. The SAL would be willing to work the event and pass the donations on to the Kuhar Park Project. A date of Friday August 14<sup>th</sup> was decided upon with a burger and corn feed at Kuhar Park planned, with the possibility of offering rubber duck races and an evening bonfire.

The Sanborn Club offers funding for various community projects; Char will contact Darwin Voge to check how to apply.

There may also be funding to apply for through the First Security Bank; Mike Bentz is the contact there. Char will make contact with Mike.

Currently the aluminum can donations are all going to the swimming pool fund. Bill takes care of the can collecting and offered to make up a second trailer for the Kuhar Park fund.

- VII. Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 **at the Lambertton City Office meeting room**. We will look at the overall picture of the project, identify and prioritize tasks, assign tasks to committees, and establish a clear plan with timelines.