

# *Village of Fall Creek*

## *Minutes of Community Relations, Recreation & Health Committee Meeting June 9, 2022*

1. **Call to Order:** 11:38 a.m. Village Hall Meeting Room, 122 E. Lincoln Ave., Fall Creek
2. **Roll Call:** Committee Members Present: Chairperson Karen Hurd, Trustee Matt Mattoon.  
Absent: Ryan Aylesworth. Staff Present: Administrator/Public Works Director Jared McKee, Deputy Clerk Joan Drehmel.
3. **Certify Open Meeting Law Requirements Have Been Met:** A notice of the meeting and an agenda was posted at the three public places and local newspapers were notified.
4. **Adopt Agenda:**
  - MOTION (Mattoon/Hurd) to adopt the agenda as printed. PASSED, without negative vote.
5. **Old Business**
  - A. **Keller Park: Bird Boxes, Eagle Nest Update, Playground Equipment Grant**

**Update:** Chairperson Hurd noted the following:  
Bird boxes – 2 bluebird boxes and 2 wood duck boxes have been made and donated to the Village. Beaver Creek Reserve will help in finding the best location, and the Public Works Dept and volunteers from the Lions Club will install them.

    - MOTION (Mattoon/Hurd) to recommend the Village Board accept the donation of the bird boxes. Beaver Creek, in conjunction with the Village, will locate the boxes and the Public Works Dept and volunteers will install them. PASSED, without negative vote.

Eagle Nest – The nest, which Dick Bedward and Wayne Webster built, will soon be placed in a tree on the north side of the pond in Keller Park. Xcel Energy will coordinate with the Village to bring in a lift-truck for installation. If any tree branches need to be trimmed for the truck to get through, the PWD will do it prior to installation. Scott Mehus of the National Eagle Center in Wabasha, MN, along with some high school Senior students and other volunteers, will help lift and secure the nest in place. An individual has expressed interest in donating funds toward a solar-powered web camera that would televise the nest activity.

Playground Equipment Grant – The DNR Stewardship grant has been submitted. Volunteer manpower from the Fall Creek Lions Club and the Youth Sports Association, and use of heavy equipment from the Town of Lincoln, help in the chances of securing the grant. Hurd will also apply for the Green Bay Packer Foundation Grant for civic and community purposes.

Administrator/Public Works Director McKee noted that all paperwork for grants need to be kept in the Clerk’s Office as it is a public record.
6. **New Business**
  - A. **Randall Park: Memorial Plaque for Bud Drehmel:** Chairperson Hurd noted the American Legion and the Historical Society planted 2 spirea bushes in Randall Park in memory of longtime resident and member of both organizations Earl “Bud” Drehmel who passed away in January. They would like to place an 8x10 (approximate size), ground-level plaque near the shrub. There would be no cost to the Village for the plaque.
    - MOTION (Mattoon/Hurd) to recommend the Village allow the memorial plaque for Bud Drehmel be installed at Randall Park by the American Legion and the Historical Society. PASSED, without negative vote.

Also of note: Chairperson Hurd mentioned Trustee Ryan Aylesworth has completed a pond-depth map which will be submitted to the DNR. Administrator/Public Works Director McKee noted 12 new trees have been planted in Keller Park.

**7. Adjourn:** @ 12:10 p.m.

Joan Drehmel, Deputy Clerk