

Village of Mazon
Park Committee Meeting Minutes
June 5, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 3:33 pm on June 5, 2024.

Present were: D. Misener, K. Houchin, D. Punke, and M. Murphy

The meeting was to discuss the Mazon Centennial Park and park usage regulation and policy.

D. Misener discussed buying the nets for the pickleball court. He stated looking online for the posts and nets bundled together, the price will be about \$500.00.

D. Punke asked if there was enough space for 2 courts. The committee agreed to get the correct measurements then come back to this issue.

D. Punke began the discussion of residents reserving the park pavilions. She had concerns regarding charging residents to reserve the pavilions.

K. Houchin explained that residents being able to reserve the pavilions for cook-outs and parties would be ideal. They would be able to plan for it and not worry about someone else getting there first.

D. Misener suggested that organizations using the ball fields should have to pay some sort of fee. He explained the cost of maintenance for park grass, fields, concession stand, and restrooms adds up.

K. Houchin suggested the possibility of charging Village residents a \$25.00 fee for reserving pavilions at Mazon Centennial Park.

D. Punke suggested \$25.00 for 1 pavilion or \$40 to reserve both pavilions. The committee agreed.

D. Misener stated the pavilion at Primrose Park is very small. He would recommend not charging for that but allowing residents to reserve it if they would like.

D. Misener also mentioned setting park hours from 6am-10pm. The committee agreed.

The committee discussed establishing a clean up fee for anyone that reserves park amenities and does not leave it in clean and orderly condition.

D. Misener suggested \$100.00 be charged if the park is not left in its original condition and a \$100 deposit would be required for future reservations by individual.

He asked what about non-resident charges for reserving pavilions.

D. Punke suggested \$35.00 for 1 pavilion and \$60.00 for reserving 2 pavilions for non-resident reservations.

The committee discussed the fees charged by surrounding towns and villages.

D. Misener asked the committee if they would want to limit the amount of dates residents may reserve the park in any amount of time.

K. Houchin stated he did not think that it would be necessary to limit usage.

D. Misener suggested allowing alcohol in the pavilion area only. Residents would be able to have open alcohol under pavilion and possibly a certain amount of feet outside of pavilion. He also suggested that if residents cancel their reservation at least 2 weeks ahead of time, they would receive a full refund. The committee agreed.

D. Misener asked if the Village should require a card on file for non-residents in the event that a clean up fee is to be charged. The committee agreed that that would be a good idea to ensure payment.

It was decided that the Village Park Committee will meet again to discuss this further and to decide if there will be one pickleball court or two.

D. Punke made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:31 pm. The motion was seconded by D. Misener. Roll was taken: D. Misener- Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes. Motion carried.