

KAUKAUNA VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK ASSOCIATION MINUTES

Monday, May 10, 2021

A meeting of the Kaukauna Veterans Memorial Park Association was called to order by President and Mayor Tony Penterman at 3:00 p.m. on May 10, 2021.

Present: Mayor Tony Penterman, Gene Schaefer, Karen Koch, Fred Cazzola, Mark Landreman, Lisa Wolfinger, Marty DeCoster, Neal Borchert and an interested citizen.

Absent: Brenda Leon, Brian Roebke, Bob Kelly

A motion was made to excuse the absent by Marty DeCoster, seconded by Lisa Wolfinger. All members voted aye, motion carried.

A motion was made to approve the October 15, 2020, minutes. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Pat Vandenheuvel, Street Superintendent, was present to discuss brick sealing in the Ring of Honor. He stated that he requested two bids to clean the bricks, refresh the sand, relay sunken pavers and seal the bricks from Lowney's and from Schmalz, but Schmalz did not submit a bid. Pat further stated that if we continue to receive large brick orders like we did in Spring of 2021, the Ring of Honor will need to be expanded beyond the current ring size, which would mean moving the benches back.

Until the larger expansion of the Ring is needed, Pat then discussed some expansion possibilities of placing bricks between the benches and moving the crosses back to make more room for a row or two in front of the flags. Blanks could also be pulled to make room, but few are left. Mark Landreman questioned removing some of the crosses to prevent them from looking crowded. He also inquired whether there was anything significant tied to the crosses or relevance with the number of crosses. No one seemed to think so. Some of the crosses are beginning to rot, and Fred suggested touching them up with paint.

Even though it was hoped to get the sealing project done in summer 2021, Pat feels that it doesn't make sense to do it yet, as it is quite costly, and with at least a small expansion needed soon, the sealed and unsealed bricks would be very noticeable. A better time would be at a future date when the extent of expansion is determined. The City will promote the brick sale for August to see if there would be another good response, and then the Association can discuss an expansion or to cut off any future orders.

For the present time, Pat's recommendation is to have the Street Department gently power wash and put fresh sand in, kill the moss and make the bricks look nicer. They could use the same sealer as on a patio to bring the color back out of the bricks. We would not have this done now if expansion of any kind is to take place. They can also freshen up the star. This

would provide a temporary fix of about 2-5 years. Fred would like to see this work done this summer.

Gene Schaefer thanked the City for everything it has done for the Ring of Honor and stated that it looks very nice.

Another brick order will be placed in August. Expansion will be discussed at the next meeting, if necessary.

Robert Kelly stepped down and will no longer be serving on KVMPA. Neal Borchert will be his replacement, and Mayor will make his appointment to fill Bob's remaining term at the May 18, 2021, Council meeting.

There being no further business to be brought before the Association, a motion was made by Fred Cazzola to adjourn, seconded by Gene Schaefer. Meeting adjourned at 3:25.

Submitted by Karen Koch, Secretary

