Council Chambers, Spring Grove, Illinois, April 24, 2018; a meeting of the Parks Committee was held this date at 6:13 p.m., at the Municipal Centre, 7401 Meyer Road, Chairperson McMahon presiding.

Call to Order. The following members were present: Chairperson Bob McMahon and Members Jim Anhalt, Mark Eisenberg, Jeff Letzter, Pat Mazzanti and Lloyd Simonson – 6. Absent: None. Also present for the Village were Judy Olson, Village Treasurer; Matt Wittum, Public Works Supervisor; and Laura Frumet, Deputy Clerk.

New Business. Discuss initiating an Adopt-a-Park Program. Supervisor Wittum explained an Adopt-a-Park program would be similar to the Adopt-a-Highway program where groups or families adopt a park and perform clean-up and general maintenance a minimum of four times a year. Larger groups could adopt larger parks and HOAs or smaller groups could adopt neighborhood parks, with recognition on a sign placed at each park. The committee liked the idea as it would free up time for public works employees to work on other projects. Member Eisenberg also would like to see a Friends of the Hatchery program started where once a month for a few hours, a volunteer would open up the Visitor’s Center to the public.

Discuss park field maintenance. It was discovered that at Spring Grove Park and Thelen Park field maintenance was not up to par and there is a lot of work that needs to be performed to get the fields into shape for the season. Public Works will initially be doing a lot a trimming and cutting to get them back in shape.

Discuss park building maintenance. At Thelen Park, grease stains are on the cement in the area where sports teams grill by the concession stand. A letter will be sent asking them to clean the cement or the village will hire a cleaning company and bill the team. The village will also be asking them to come up with an alternative plan to avoid this situation in the future.

Public Comment. None.

Other Business. None.

There being no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Frumet, Deputy Clerk