

The Odebolt Betterment Committee met June 9, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Present were Kerry and Deb Reinhart, Phyllis Franken, Joan Godbersen, Mary Jeanne Thompson, Madeline Meyer, Joel Ahart, Shirley Phillips and Linda Godbersen.

Kerry gave a report on the progress of the Triangle Park. At this time we have the sidewalk, plaque and garbage can left. Once we decide on the size of the plaque, Evapco will make the stand for it. Joan said that she has talked to Roxanne with the DOT about a shelter house sign and she said no to this. The INS grant money will be presented on the 17th of June. This grant was applied for the landscaping of the triangle park.

Tennis court trees look good. Kerry bought mulch and has gone out to put this around the trees because it was taking double the water. Kerry presented a bill to Joan for \$8.98 for mulch. She will pay out of the tree fund. At this time there is \$334.00 left in the fund after Vance Lundell paid for the 3 crab apple trees. Scotty Hoefling will be contacted about watering the trees the next time they need to be watered.

Schedule for sitting at the table to hand out brochures and let people know about our organization during Creek Days was discussed. It was decided the following:

10-11 Kerry and Phyllis

11-12

12-1

1-2 closed for parade

2-3 Joan and Deb

3-4 Madeline

4-5 Mary Jeanne

Deb will check with Frieda on when she may be able to sit at the table.

Madeline stated that the Prairie Fire crab apple may be a good tree not to attract birds so this may be used on the east entrance.

The sign project is still waiting on their grant money. Hopefully it will be awarded in June. The Iowa One Call locate has come thru, so the lights can be installed by Mid-American. Plants will be held by Mike's Lawn Service in Storm Lake until the 1st of September.

Kerry gave a report on the Dierenfield property. Bruce Dierenfield has given the Odebolt Betterment Committee permission to go on his property and clean up. "WE WILL NEED VOLUNTEERS for this project. When there is a work day we will call for help. Kerry stated that all bases are covered. It was asked about maybe wildflowers and Linda said that she would talk to someone in Ida Grove about getting help from Pheasants Forever.

Shirley asked Joel if he would be willing to go along with whatever Cracker Jack wanted painted on the building. Joel said yes. Barn Again will restore old barns and cribs, so Madeline is going to check with Jack Hogue about applying for a grant for this project. Shirley asked Joel to get her some history on the building and Joan gave her some off the internet on the buildings and the Cracker Jack. Joel said that depending on the cost to replace roof as to whether it would ever be replaced. He had asked the lumber yard at one time what it would cost to tin and the price for 175' roof would be approx. \$5000.00.

Next meeting will be July 14 at 6:00.