

The Odebolt Betterment Committee held their meeting on May 12 at 6:00 at City Hall.

Present were Madeline Meyer, Freida Veit, Elaine Rex, Joel Ahart, Curt Wareham, Phyllis Franken, P.Dale Gronemeyer, Joan Godbersen, Kerry and Deb Reinhart.

Curt gave a report on his meeting with the Council about the plan for planting trees around the pool area. The Council would not approve this because of the leaves from the trees blowing into the pool. So we are now wondering if the Council would approve planting 6 crab apple trees to the east of the tennis court area. Joan will check with Bill Tysor and Ron Rex to see if this is a possibility. If this is Curt will draw up a plan and present it to the Council at the next meeting. If this is not a possibility our second choice would be to plant east of town by the welcome sign. Bill Wallace seems interested in letting us plant there as long as we plant something that does not attract birds. He is maybe thinking a low shrub. He has stated that he would be willing to walk the property with us and show us the boundaries.

Madeline has talked to Jack Bensley about the Dierenfield property. Joan will check with the County and see if they can send a nuisance abatement.

Curt was wondering if Shirley Phillips ever contacted Cracker Jack about painting a mural on the side of Joel's building. Maybe Joel can check on the Diamond Vogel grant for paint.

Kerry and Deb gave a report on the Triangle Park. So far they have had \$1300.00 in contributions. We have received bids on the sidewalk from Greg Neville for 750.00 and Mark Horsley for 481.00 with volunteer labor. Mark will get the bid and will start as soon as we get dirt hauled in. The dirt will be donated by Gary's Backhoe Service.

Madeline stated that she has donated 30 steel post at \$1.00 each and has a trip to Storm Lake to purchase trees.

Elaine stated that the plaque for the Memorial Walk was approximately \$80.00 from D&S services out of Denison. She will check with this company and see if they can do what we want for the plaque at the Triangle Park.

Joel Ahart will check with Peterson Mfg. about garbage can for the park.

Joan will check with Roxanne with the DOT about picnic table sign.

We will have a table set up at Creek Days to let the public know of our plans for the future of the Odebolt Betterment Committee. Deb and Frieda will work on posters. Deb will check with Tandy Reis to see about setting up a table.

Wayfinding signs were discussed. With the possibility of putting them on the Business district, Memorial walk, RV Park, City Park, School and Rec Complex. We will have further discussion at a later date.

Next meeting will be held June 9 at 6:00 at City Hall.

Notes by Deb Reinhart