

The Odebolt Betterment Committee met August 3, 2010 at 6:00 at City Hall. Present were Joan Godbersen, Kerry and Deb Reinhart, Jack Bensley, Tammy Neuharth, Madeline Meyer, Mary Jeanne Thompson, Linda Godbersen, Janet Leonard and Freida Stehr. The meeting was held a week earlier because of a scheduling conflict.

Madeline called the meeting to order and passed out copies of the minutes from last month's meeting. She gave everyone a few minutes to read thru and asked if there were any additions or corrections. There were some corrections to the last 2 paragraphs. (Note last month's minutes for the corrections.) After the corrections were made, a motion was made to accept them.

The treasurer report: checking account balance is \$11,847.46. Triangle park savings is \$300.48 for upkeep.

Linda gave a report on the REAP grant. Linda, Joan and Deb have met with Greg Neville and have walked the area of the Memorial Walk extension to put the final touches on the grant application. Linda has talked with Gary's Backhoe about the trenching and the estimate on this is approximately \$2.00 per foot and there is 400 foot to be done. The Electric Co. is working on an estimate for the electrical and Linda will keep in contact with him on this matter so that we can finish this application and get it mailed in by the deadline of Aug. 20. Chris Wittaker has made the changes on the maps because we have changed the location of the sidewalk.

Freida and Mary Jeanne have met with Tom Lake who is an employee of Marjo's Greenhouse in Sac City on purchasing trees for the Downtown Greenspace Project. Marjo's can order us a 15' Linden, a 12' Crimson Maple and a 10' Weeping Mulberry and plant them for \$1000.00. He suggests that we plant them in September and he will also brace them. We have to finish this project by October, because of the Trees Please grant deadline. Madeline will visit more with Tom Lake on this project and find out if there is a guarantee on the trees. Kerry motioned that we plant a Linden, Crimson Maple and a Weeping Mulberry and have Bengford Landscaping do the edging and mulching around the trees, Jack seconded. All ayes. Motioned carried.

It was suggested that maybe we plant some trees in the Odebolt Memorial Walk lot located on the corner of 6th and Locust or maybe plant some by the east Welcome sign. Kerry will also talk to Bengford Landscaping about landscaping around the area of the meter box located in the southwest corner of the lot.

The City Park shelter house project is complete. The OBC would like to thank the City of Odebolt for paying for the supplies to revitalize the open shelter house and a big thank you to BDH Construction Bryce Hustedt and Hernandez Roofing by Rafael Hernandez for shingling the building. Bengford Landscaping has given us a bid to landscape this area and the City Council has given approval for this project. We will be applying for a grant to do some landscaping around the pillars to try to stop some more of the erosion. We are also thinking about putting in a sidewalk from the main sidewalk to the shelter house and maybe selling cobblestone bricks to help pay for this project.

The next meeting will be Sept 14th at 6:00 at City Hall.

Meeting adjourned.

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Deb Reinhart