Public Works/Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting

05/22/2023

5:40PM-6PM

Attended by; Councilman Ryan Woodruff, Jon Tharpe, Mayor Glenn Ewing and Interim Village Administrator Bob Lindhorst.

The purpose of the meeting was general communications about Public Works and Parks and Recreation.

The first discussion was regarding signage for our parks and directional signage to guide people to the parks. This conversation was brought forward for new residents and in the ongoing effort to be attractive to tourism. It was noted that we have 11 parks in New Richmond. Most currently have little or no signage. None have directional signage. All agreed that it would be a good direction to proceed in.

We then discussed village maintenance and grass cutting. We have found that the Adopt A Park program and having the grass cutting on 52 contracted out has been very beneficial for the public works department by making more hours available for other maintenance and repair issues throughout the village. Ryan Woodruff communicated some of the success that other communities have had with flex employment and cross training.