

**OAK GROVE PARKS COMMISSION  
FEBRUARY 15, 2023  
OAK GROVE CITY HALL**

Chair Tri called the regular meeting of the Oak Grove Parks Commission to order at 6:30 pm at Oak Grove City Hall.

Present: Jerry Tri, Chair  
Dianne Pederson, Commissioner  
Mikey Oman, Commissioner  
Gene Hodel, Commissioner

Also present: Noah Matzke - Lewiston Monument.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Regular meeting January 18, 2023  
**Commissioner Pederson moved, second by Commissioner Hodel to approve the January 18, 2023 meeting minutes. Motion carried 4-0.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

2. Lewiston Monument  
Noah Matzke from Lewiston Monument presented Veterans Memorial Projects that the company has worked on and is currently working on. He answered questions from the Commission. He frequently mentioned the Decorah Iowa memorial.
3. Work In Progress (WIP)  
Chair Tri reviewed the WIP.
4. Parks Commission Discussion Items  
Dianne Pederson: Process for removing lights from trees at City Hall. She suggested that lights be put up earlier in the fall, in September or October.  
  
Dianne Pederson: How are the trails at Dunlop Park now that they have been groomed. Gene Hodel said that are much easier to walk on, however he hasn't been out there since the rain we have had.  
  
Dianne Pederson asked about the Adopt-A-Park item on agenda. Chair Tri gave a quick update on what will be discussed.  
  
Dianne Pederson asked Mikey Oman is Grants for the Veterans Memorial has been found. Mikey Oman could not find any grants for community memorials.  
  
Jerry Tri discussed the Open House, said it was well attended. He was astounded that the Highway Department had not had any discussion with the county parks department as to connecting/creating trails to go along with the new bridge project. Suggested that we need to bring tis to the council, as they may be more supportive now in being more vocal to County Commissioners.

Gene Hodel discussed to things to modify for next years tree lighting such as relocating the stage and fire rings, possibly starting earlier.

Dianne will bring the Veterans Memorial samples to the next meeting to share.

ADJOURNMENT

**Motion by Chair Tri, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM. Motion carried 4-0.**

Respectfully Submitted, Mikey Oman, Parks Commission