**MINUTES**

**CITY OF PLAINWELL**

**PARKS & TREES COMMISSION**

**October, 17, 2019**

1. Bunny LaDuke called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM.
2. Roll Call: Present: Bunny LaDuke, Sandy Lamorandier, Tom Belco and Gina Berry. Absent: Matthew Bradley, Marsha Keeler, Todd Overhuel. Also attending: Public Works Superintendent Bob Nieuwenhuis, Mayor Brad Keeler.
3. Approval of Minutes:

***Tom Belco moved to accept and place on file the minutes of September 12, 2019. Gina Berry supported the motion. On voice vote, motion carried unanimously.***

1. Parks:

Bob reported that:

At Sherwood Park the snow fence came down and the grass is growing good. Heaters for the bathroom are coming. The ribbon cutting ceremony for the Sherwood Restrooms will be November 15th 2019. Pell Park there is really no change just

the flowers will be coming out. We are painting the Riverwalk. The road that was put in at Cook Park will be taken out and there was a suggestion that was discussed about putting a new road along side of the railroad tracks and the dog park.

There was a motion made by Tom Belco and supported by Sandy to check with the railroad and see if the road can be put in

here. The board unanimously passed this. So the City will investigate this and get back with the board. They would like to use our millings from the Sherwood Road project to make the new road in the park. The Riverwalk bees have been taken care of. There was some discussion on our flower program changes for the new season. Bob is waiting to hear back from the greenhouses and he will report back to the board soon. It was brought to the cities attention that we have some poisonous yew berries in Hicks Park and a child ate them and got sick last year they will be taken out by the DPW very soon.

Sherwood Park Maintenance Report - Marsha Keeler

Marsha was absent and Bob covered Sherwood Park in his discussion.

Pell Park Maintenance Report - Todd Overhuel, Sandra Lamorandier

Sandy suggested that we start over with the 911 bed. It needs lots of attention and the plants are pretty old.

Hicks Park Maintenance Report - Bunny LaDuke

Bob updated the board about this park and Bunny LaDuke had nothing further to add.

Cook Park Maintenance Report – Tom Belco

Bob updated the board about this park and Tom Belco had nothing further to add.

Kenyon Park Maintenance Report – Matthew Bradley

Matthew was absent.

Darrow Park Maintenance Report - Sandy Lamorandier

Sandy reported the park looked good.

Riverwalk, Band Shell & CBD Maintenance Report

Gina reported that the park looked good.

1. New Business
	1. A different day for the meeting was discussed but no changes were made.
2. Open Business
3. Cook Park Road was discussed in length during Bob’s part of the discussion.
4. Public Comments

None.

1. Staff Comments

Todd Overhuel can’t make the meetings due to his work schedule.

1. Chairman’s Report

None.

1. Commissioners’ Comments

Tom Belco added that the work by Bunny LaDuke and the DPW on the Blue Star Memorial was outstanding.

1. Items For Next Agenda

2020 Flower Planting plan.

1. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 5 PM.

1. Adjournment

***Sandra Lamorandier moved to adjourn the meeting. Gina Berry supported the motion. On voice vote, motion carried unanimously.***

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:59 PM.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Pickett