

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting, September 18,2025 at Barnes Town Office

Meeting called to order at 9:30 by Chairman Blair Gagne. Quorum was established with members present: Dawn Piburn, Terry Kolberg, Kay Erdahl, Blair Gagne. Loren Bohl, Park Maintenance, and Tom Renz, Town Board Liaison, also present. Public notice posted 09/17/2025.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Kay, seconded by Blair. Passed.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Terry, seconded by Kay. Passed.

Snowshoe trail signage committee: The USNG (United States National Grid) signs for Emergency trail location will first be made and installed for 23 high priority points. New maps with the snowshoe trails and ski trails together will be made by Advance Printing, as they made the present maps. A sign will be made to install on the garage directing visitors to the snowshoe trail start behind the garage.

Garage update: There have been 10 work days of volunteers to build the garage. Now mostly completed with 6 working on siding today. Brian Green will do electrical work. Armor Coating of Barnes is donating and installing an epoxy floor. Rubber floor mats will still be necessary to run snowmobile into garage. Loren said the town had some in storage from old salt shed we could use.

Town website has been updated with some updates we suggested. The new website being worked on by CCS should be in place by end of year.

Memorial garden: One of the 3 trees planted has to be removed because of Fiber optic lines and camera placement. It was decided to look at after the meeting. Conclusion was that the tree did not seem to be impeding upon the camera view and Pat Johnston will call Norvado about the fiber optic lines.

A suggestion was made that the large tree next to the pickleball court should be removed due to the roots pushing up and causing cracks. Tom and Jeff inspected and they concluded that the cracks and not caused by the tree. So, for now – no removal of tree.

New business: Kay mentioned that the Woww group will have a walk at TLP. Also, that she will look at skates in the warming house to organize and mark sizes. Terry mentioned that the Conservation club minutes mentioned looking at cleaning up the beach and also, they approved of making signs for names on the 3 snowshoe trails.

Next meeting October 9, 2025

Motion to adjourn made by Terry, seconded by kay. Adjourned at 10:40.

Submitted by Terry Kolberg