



Solon Township Hall
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**Minutes of the Solon Township Park Planning Committee
July 21, 2015 @ 4:30p.m.**

Meeting called to Order by Chairperson Aardema at 4:30 pm.

Members Present: Shelly Aardema, Len Allington, Tony Owen,
Hal Babcock, Mary Lou Poulsen, Koadi Pritchard

Members Absent: none

Guests: Annette Ellick, Vicky Babcock, Rhonda Jewell

Public Comment on Agenda Items – none

Approval of June minutes: Motion by Len to approve, second by Koadi, motion carried 6-0.

New Business:

- Read through the June 30th public meeting notes from Viridis Design Group.
- Discussion included:
 - * Regret for resignation letter received from Jan Johnson.
 - * 501(c)3 status requirements – is it worth it? is it necessary? – check with area individuals who are familiar with it.
 - * Clear Lake, Echo Park and Fisk Knob information to include in Park Master Plan
 - * Developing an operating Budget for Solon Township Park
 - * Offering ongoing public input opportunities at the Farmers Market
 - * A resident had suggested making the basketball court convertible to pickleball. This started a discussion on gathering recommendations from Northern Therapy, etc for activities to offer at our park.
 - * Seek information on grant writing – possibly advertise for writers.
 - * Ask CSAP&R director for advice, chair and others meet with her at her convenience.
 - * Check on our next step with the Design Group. Possibly have them attend our August meeting for a progress report on the Master Plan and 5-year Recreation Plan. If it is feasible to have it for the Township Board's September meeting.

Additional public comments: none

Adjourn: Meeting Adjourned approx 5:30 pm. Next meeting: Tuesday, August 18 at 4:30 pm.

Submitted by: Mary Lou Poulsen