

NELSON COUNTY PARK BOARD MINUTES
October 16, 2014 - 9:30 A.M.

The meeting was reconvened with Odell Flaagan, Dan Marquart, Bruce Ellertson, Maynard Loibl, Ron Houdek, and Lisa Schindele present.

Ben Varnson and Gene Gehrke, from the Water Board; Jolene Halldorson, from the Red River Council; Mark Anderson, engineer; Sharon Young; Tim Lee; Jim Hatlestad; and Jayme Tennison were also present.

Sharon showed a video taken by the engineer, that showed the water crashing into the bank at the west side of the park and the resulting erosion. She also showed, on Google Earth, how the advancing water is getting very close to the main ball diamond. This erosion needs to be stopped not only to save the ball diamond, but for the safety of the children that use it.

Ben discussed getting funding from the State Water Commission to mitigate erosion.

Jolene will apply for a grant from the Outdoor Heritage fund also.

Mark estimated the cost to be between \$750,000 and \$800,000 for rip rap. It was suggested to also rip rap part of the east side of the point. It was also suggested to compare past photos of the park to recent photos. It was decided that the Park Board should be the grant applicant.

Mark informed the Board that many trees would have to be removed to install the rip rap. The ND Forrest Service could be consulted to replace the trees that are removed. This could be part of the project.

The meeting was adjourned.

W.J. Davidson, Secretary

Odell Flaagan, Chairman