Present:

Committee

Dennis Dinkelacker, Jim Martin, Kitty Zech and Chair, Alana Tucker

Council

Amy Richter, Jim Sunderhaus, Patrick Tiettmeyer, President of Council Mark Waters, Law Director Debbie Slaughter and Safety Service Director Tom Braun

Guests

Kim Rohr and Tom Weber

The Municipal Properties Committee met at Harvest Home Park to discuss issues related to our parks. Discussion was largely focused on concerns of activity taking place Harvest Home.

The recent concerns by community members and council were discussed, including graffiti, litter, use of the park shelters without permission and trespassing.

The Committee discussed the current signage at the four shelters. The Committee voted unanimously to create and post new signs that will read, "By Rental Only. Violators will be cited."

The concern by the Cheviot Police Department is that as the law currently reads, trespassing at the park results in an arrest. The Police Department has asked the Committee to revisit the law as it currently reads and suggested making a park specific ordinance that would allow police officers to cite instead of automatically arresting. The Committee plans to pursue such an ordinance.

There was an idea proposed to enclose the three shelters with a fence. The Committee and those present did not wish to pursue that idea at this time.

It was the desire of the Committee to see more police presence at the park and response by police when people call to report issues at the park.

The Committee wishes to pursue the creation of park rules and ordinance which has previously been examined by this committee in the past. The Committee plans to meet this summer to further pursue this initiative.

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