

Village of Mazon
Park Committee Meeting
March 26, 2026

Meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm.

An attendance sheet was passed around for everyone to sign and indicate who they represent. (See Attached Sheet)

Nate Olson representing the Jason Clearwater Fund gave some background of how and why the JCF was formed.

Nate stated that he was approached by the MVKYAA about funding improvements at the Centennial Park in Mazon. At their Golf outing in August of 2025, JCF pledged 20 thousand (\$20,000.00) for Park improvements. (See the attached list of requests).

Nate stated that there may be additional funds to do other projects at the park. The estimate to do the work/updates submitted totals approximately 13 thousand dollars (\$13,000.00). Nate proposed extending the concrete around the Concession Stand and possibly putting shading/covers over the bleachers.

I requested that the Village needs, to repair the South Pavillion and replacing playground equipment that no longer meets the Insurance Standards and to purchase additional property west and north of the park for parking and expansion. This would also save the north ball diamond if someone were to purchase the Russell property.

I explained that the purpose of the 150-year celebration was to hopefully get funds to do some of the work or at least collect funds in the Village Park Fund to update the playground equipment and make repairs needed.

Nate stated that they have before and will apply for a 50/50 grant through the Grundy County Community Foundation to seek additional funds to be used. I explained that the Village does not have money for the matching 50 percent, JCF maybe able to put up the matching funds.

Zach stated that the Grundy County Fun Run will be donating 2 thousand (\$2,000.00) after the event takes place on July 25th. Work may start in July but probably not till fall after the MVK School Ball season ends.

We all agreed that the improvements would benefit the kids and future events that are held at the park.

Kirk stated that he would like to see the work start in the fall as the 150 Year Committee will be using the Park for events.

After discussion with Village Board members, we all agreed this will be a benefit to the park and agreed to formally approve the project at the April 13th.2026 meeting.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jeff Marques

Pam Pastick

Jeff Marques Village President

Nate Olson Jason Clearwater Fund

Kirk Houchin Village Trustee

Pam Pastick Village Trustee Park Committee

Zach Sinnott MVKYAA

Chad Both MVKYAA

Diane Punke Village Trustee Park Committee Chairman

Roland Tondini Village Trustee Park Committee

Jared Kowaleski Village Trustee

John Frederick Mazon Director of Public Works

Jeremy Sherwood Jason Clearwater Fund

Nicki Johnston MVKYAA

MAZON PARK IMPROVEMENTS – CONCESSIONS

• Right Way Floors & Painting	\$4450
○ Concessions floor	
○ Bathroom floors	
• Cabinets & counter	\$1500
• Sinks – 3 bay & hand was	\$660
• Doors	
○ Exterior	\$650
○ Interior	\$350
• Windows – special order	\$1200
• Ceiling fan & light fixture	\$300
• Paint	\$500
• Supplies	\$500
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