

May 27, 2017

The Parks and Recreation Board of Winamac requests your help.

As many of you may know, preliminary discussions have begun regarding possible additions to your Veterans Memorial Park, located at the south-east corner of Monticello (U.S. Highway 35) and Washington streets in Winamac. The idea had been presented to add two (2) benches to the site, supported by the two veterans organizations in Winamac, the American Legion and the VFW. Recently, it was brought to our attention that our American Legion post has decided to dispose of the artillery piece that they have displayed for many years, and they have offered it to our board. It has also been requested that some type of signage be displayed at this location, identifying it as our town's Veteran Memorial Park. To this purpose, we have received ideas for an archway that could incorporate the aforementioned benches within its structure.

After listening to various comments and concerns, our board has come to a decision. We are asking for votes from our citizenry for one of four (4) options, listed below. Votes can be cast in one of two ways; via e-mail to billing@townofwinamac.com to the attention of Parks Board., or can be dropped off with Kim Burke at the Town clerk's office at 120 West Main St. in Winamac. All votes must be cast no later than June 9, 2017, please.

Option # 1. Display donated artillery piece, flanked by two (2) benches, and add a sign or arch designating the area as "Veterans Memorial Park"

Option #2. Incorporate the donated artillery piece by itself, with a smaller sign designating the area as "Veterans Memorial Park". (No benches or archway).

Option # 3. Incorporate the two (2) benches with a smaller sign designating the area as "Veterans Memorial Park" (No archway or artillery piece)

Option # 4. Leave the park as it now exists, displaying the peaceful green space.

Thank you for your considerations and participation.

Town of Winamac Parks/Recreation Board