

# Peaceful Valley Park

## 420 Field Street

- **Park Classification:** Community Park
- **Park Season:** Year round
- **Park Hours:** 7:00 am - Dusk
- **Restroom Facilities:** Accessible men's and women's restrooms on the north side of the building (open summer months). Unisex restroom facility off the main warming room (open winter months).
- **Restroom Season:** Summer months, north side of building. Winter months, unisex restroom off main warming room.
- **Restroom Hours:** 7:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- **Playground Equipment:** Large community built playground in a whimsical theme with castle towers, railroad cars and ships. Separate Tot area with sand box.
- **Additional Amenities:** Benches, picnic tables and an ice rink in the winter
- **Lighting:** A dusk to dawn light illuminates the rink in the evening.
- **Total Acreage:** 4.54 acres
- **Parcel(s) Number:** 2010774, 2010776, 2010773, 2010775, 2010772, 2010929 (Perry Parcel)



### General Park Description

- **Rockin' Robin's World community built playground (Leathers and Associates):** Built the fall of 2008.
- **Ice Rink:** In the winter adults and youth enjoy one of our largest outdoor rinks. Light illuminates the rink on a dusk to dawn timer. The new warming house is a wonderful addition.

### History

- Rockin' Robin Community Built Playground was spearheaded by former Mayor Michael Matusek. Construction was completed in the fall of 2008. Funds were raised through donations and the sale of specific playground structural items (benches, bridge...etc.). The sale of engraved pickets on the perimeter of the playground help off-set maintenance costs (wood chips, staining, repairs...etc.)
- A \$130,000.00 donation by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stasek allowed for construction of the restroom/warming house facility in 2009/2010. Additional funding for this facility was made possible through donations from the Optimists and the Community Association of Retirees.

### Recent Upgrades (within the past five years)

- Building demolition and site prep
- Playground construction
- Warming/restroom facility construction. Facility has in-floor heat, vandal resistant mirrors, auto shut-off faucets and auto on/off interior lights. Completion of the concrete apron and landscaping (fall 2010) was completed with assistance from the Street Department, Engineering and Parks. The overall concrete apron design was drafted by Charley Brinkmeier.
- Facility identification signage (installed 2011).

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### Future Plans

- See Schrieber Anderson park plan for long-term goals
- See 5 year Park Plan Matrix
- A funding request was made for the Pavilion in 2011

### Additional Notes/Comments

- Vandalism is a constant issue at this site we are hopeful the camera system will act as a deterrent to this behavior. Structural damage as well as graffiti and litter cost the City of Antigo considerable resources in the form of labor and supplies.
- The large ice rink flooded by the Park and Recreation Department each year receives a high level of use. The warming house has windows that look out onto the rink creating a warm and convenient area for parents to watch their children.
- The concession area for the warming house is not yet complete. A refrigerator was purchased with funds raised through pie and ice cream sales at Music in the Park (2010). We hope to complete the concession area (counters, 2-3 basin sink and shelving) as funds are available.
- Continued development of this site will make it a desirable location for large and small events. The close proximity of the playground, open green space and future pavilion make it family friendly as well.
- The development of this once blighted area is a great asset to the community. Because much of the area is in the flood plane building construction is limited and all future plans must be reviewed to ensure compliance.
- Site preparation was a cooperative effort between city departments (Street Department, Engineering and Parks).
- The total acreage for this park was expanded in 2010 due to the acquisition of the Riser Energy Parcel through the Hospital Land Exchange.

## **Peaceful Valley Park** (community built playground, warming house and future event center)

### **Current Park Utilities**

**Electric:** Yes

- Description: One light used to illuminate ice rink (dusk to dawn). Lights on the north and south side of the building illuminate the area around the warming house (dusk to dawn). Security cameras in the building and on the outside assist with vandalism prevention. All lighting for the building interior is regulated by sensors to create energy efficiency.

**Gas:** Yes

- Description: In floor heat assists with keeping this facility comfortable and cost effective in the winter months.

**Water:** Yes

- Description: Auto on/off faucets assist with less water waste. External hose bibs are vandal resistant.

**Sewer:** Yes

**Storm water:** Yes

- Notes: The storm water utility was implemented in 2010 by the City of Antigo Common Council to offset storm water repairs and maintenance. We began incurring costs in May of 2010.

### **Property Description**

- **Buildings**

- Warming House with Restrooms (masonry bearing walls)

- **Dimensions:**

- **Year Built:** 2010

- **Interior Contents:** Security Cameras (4), Floor Mats, Refrigerator, Tables (4), Chairs (9), Popcorn Machine

- **Playground Equipment**

- Leathers and Associates community built playground. Wood and composite are the main materials, which comprise this playground structure. The wood is stained annually by volunteers and park staff.

- **Additional Amenities/Property in the open**

- Benches
- Picnic Tables
- Lighting (dusk to dawn), which illuminates ice rink