

Improvements planned at Legion Park in Falls City

(KLZA)--Successful fundraising efforts will allow the first phase of the Legion Park improvement project to get underway soon.

First Ward City Council member Don Ferguson provided an update on the project to the City Council Monday evening. More than \$11-thousand has been donated with significant pledges of more than \$22,000 to this point. The estimate for the project is \$60-thousand.

Ferguson said the Richardson Foundation has made a very generous donation and if anyone would like to make a tax-deductible donation to the project they may do so through the Richardson Foundation.

The park was dedicated to veterans of all wars past and future in May of 1922. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I and the Legion Park upgrades will help commemorate the special occasion.

Money budgeted for the renovation project was removed from the City Budget this year. Council Member Charlie Bentley asked why the City was not making a donation toward the project when the City is responsible for upkeep of the parks. Mayor Jerry Oliver noted the City would be making in-kind contributions to include lighting, fencing and such.

The project will include flags for each branch of the American armed forces, the American flag and benches. In addition the basketball court that was removed will be replaced and the ballfield renovated. New restrooms will also be part of the project.

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