

Floyd B. Olson Park



Locals refer to this park as the Gazebo. It is located on 3rd Street and Knight Avenue. This is one of our oldest parks in the city. On December 20, 1910, the City Council passed a resolution to purchase property from J.M. Bishop in Block 38 of the Original Townsite of the City of TRF as a site for a Public Market in the sum of \$1,296. Some historians have also called this park the “Haymarket”. A lot of activity was held at this park mainly due to its proximity within the city. In 1936 this park was renamed the “Floyd B. Olson Park”, after a former governor. In the 1970’s the park was downsized and a parking lot was installed in approximately half the park. In 1996, An Amish Company from Arthur, Illinois constructed a beautiful gazebo in time for our City’s Centennial for a total cost of \$29,061.78. Funds for the construction of the gazebo were strictly donations from citizens, organizations, and memorials. This gazebo served as the focal point for activities for our Centennial and continues to be home for weddings, Thursday evening entertainment in the summer, Christmas lighting ceremony, and other activities and events too numerous to mention.