Walker Park

6078 Otter Creek Rd SE Lone Tree, IA 52755

Overview: This three-acre park is located in the village of River Junction. The park includes a replica pioneer cabin and a picnic area. A historical cemetary borders the property to the north.

History: Walker Park predates the existence of the Johnson County Conservation (JCC) by more than fifty years! The park's namesake, Henry Walker, was amid the first Euro-americans to colonize the county. Walker donated the land for the site of the former River Junction Methodist Chapel and the adjoining three acres for a park (the church building was removed many years ago). A concrete block known as the Henry Walker buildina. Memorial Building, was erected there in 1912. The building originally housed artifacts and antiques of the pioneer era. In 1916 a replica log cabin was built as "a rustic monument to pioneer days." The Old Settlers Picnics are an annual event with a history of more than 100 years and the Old Settler's Organization maintained the park before transferring it to Johnson County. Walker Park was deeded to the JCCB in 1971.

Features: Facilities on the site include a picnic shelter and picnic tables, a replica pioneer cabin, and interpretive signage.









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