



# Village of Fox River Grove

## **PARKS COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 10, 2014**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Dan Otto called the meeting of the Parks Commission to order at 7:00 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present were Chairman Otto and Members Bill Conway, Cheryl Joseph, Jim McNutt, and Mike Richardson. Also in attendance were Superintendent of Public Works John Reese and Acting Secretary Donna Brouder. Member Sheri Sepeczi entered at 7:15 p.m. and Member Mike Olencheck was absent.

### **RESIDENT'S COMMENTS—none**

Chairman Otto welcomed President Nunamaker.

### **APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 6, 2014 MINUTES**

Member McNutt made a motion to approve the August 6, 2014 minutes with corrections. Member Conway was not listed in attendance and Chairman Otto was not listed as signer. Member Richardson seconded. Motion Carried. Member McNutt abstained.

### **PARKS**

***Picnic Grove Park Shelter*** - Superintendent Reese reported he received three bids for the concrete options on the existing concrete pad. The platform is currently 109' long by 62' wide. Each of the contractors agreed that the slab would need to be removed and replaced. The prices were \$27,000, \$49,000 and \$50,000. One of the contractors gave an additional price to add a 4" concrete slab on top of the existing one and that was \$62,000. Superintendent Reese also met with someone from McHenry County Planning and Development Department and they stated the height of the concrete platform can not be raised and walls constructed because the whole area is in the flood plain. He added that the platform has been completely under water before. Water getting under the pad causes cracking and compromises the concrete. Permits would be required from both the County and the Department of Natural Resources. The shelter will be 30' x 50' with a 40' x 60' concrete base, a tin gable roof, and a ceiling height of at least 8'. After further discussion and a consensus vote, it was decided the placement would best be in the volleyball court area and move the present volleyball court to another area. The open ends will face the river and playground. The members would still like to have the concrete pad removed and restore the area. They would also like to see a seating area where the pad is with covered tables that people could just sit and relax by the river. Superintendent Reese stated the order of the project would be the shelter installation, move the volleyball court, add electric and add water. The cost of the 30' x 50' shelter is \$41,000 and installation including concrete would be \$51,000 - \$60,000.

**Village President** Robert Nunamaker

**Trustees** Thomas Anderson / Suzanne Blohm / Joanna Colletti / Steve Knar / Andrew Migdal / Michael Schiestel

*Picnic Grove Park--Basketball Hoop* —The location, parking and safety were all discussed and it was decided to place the hoop by the island in the parking lot.

*Lions Park – Harbor Team Restoration* - Superintendent Reese reported the Harbor Team will be working this Saturday breaking up concrete rock and installing riprap (a type of limestone rock which helps to protect the shoreline) along the banks of the river toward the Northwest Highway bridge. They will be using some large trucks and bobcats, so if the weather does not cooperate, they will likely postpone the work day.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

*Fox Chase 5K* – Member Sepeczi reported the annual run is scheduled for October 5<sup>th</sup>. Public Works will be setting up barricades. Homecoming is the day before, so they will leave up the No Parking signs for the race day.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 1, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Member Joseph and seconded by Member Richardson to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. All were in favor.

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Chairman Dan Otto

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Donna M Brouder, Acting Secretary

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Date Approved