



Village of Fox River Grove

PARKS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES JUNE 3, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Otto called the meeting of the Parks Commission to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present were Chairman Dan Otto and Members Bill Conway, Jim McNutt, Mike Richardson and Sherri Sepeczi. Also in attendance were Superintendent John Reese and Secretary Alison Dal Compo. Members Diane Phillips and Cheryl Joseph were absent.

RESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Chairman Otto welcomed Village President Nunamaker. Village President Nunamaker encouraged everyone to attend Rock the Routes.

APPROVAL OF THE MAY 11, 2015 MINUTES

A MOTION was made by Member Sepeczi to approve the May 11, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Member Richardson. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS MONTHLY REPORT

Superintendent Reese reviewed the highlights. The road program is 50% complete. The road patch work is complete, as are the sidewalks.

Picnic Grove Park Shelter Update: Superintendent Reese reported that the volleyball court has been re-located, but the shelter structure itself isn't expected to arrive until July 6, 2015. Member Sepeczi commented that the concrete pad looks great. Superintendent Reese noted that the water line, drinking fountain and conduit are in.

Chairman Otto asked if the contractor who put in the slab will also core the footings. He was told yes, but the contractor will wait to drill in the anchors until the shelter actually arrives.

Rock the Routes, Saturday June 6: This event is being run by the Special Events Committee. There will be a beer tent, car show, and bands. The Blackhawks game will be broadcast.

Flag Pole Installation: Village President Nunamaker and wife Mary Lou donated a flag pole to Lion's Park. It was saluted this past Memorial Day.

Bike Race May 17: Superintendent Reese reported that there were 200 riders and 8 races held. The course took two to four minutes to complete. \$1,300 was given to the Village. No food is served as the bike riders generally eat high protein only prior to the races.

President Robert Nunamaker

Trustees Thomas Anderson / Suzanne Blohm / Jennifer Curtiss / Steve Knar / Andrew Migdal / Patrick Wall

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Memorial Bench at Lion's Park: Superintendent Reese said that a family requested to place a memorial bench. This bench would be similar to Kay Laube's bench. The family would pay for the bench in honor of Lenny Buresh, at no cost to the Village. Chairman Otto mentioned that his only reservation would be that it sets a precedent, and raises the question of who will maintain it over time. In Schaumburg, anyone wishing to do a tribute bench must do so at one of two designated parks. Superintendent Reese said that he met with Lenny's family and the contractor; the contractor is the same one who did the bench at Picnic Grove Park. It would be placed between two trees. Member Sepeczi asked if a bench is needed there.

Chairman Otto noted that he would like to see the Village get a donation for it, which could be put back into the parks. Superintendent Reese said that there aren't a lot of requests made for tribute benches.

A MOTION was made by Member McNutt to permit the memorial bench to be placed at Lion's Park as requested. Seconded by Member Conway. Motion Carried.

Parks Donation: Member Sepeczi reported that a local family made a \$100 donation to the Parks.

Ash Trees: Chairman Otto commented that the Schaumburg Park District has had to take down about 50% of their ash trees. Member McNutt noted that some people have sentimental attachment to their trees. Village President Nunamaker asked why there is an X on the green ash down at Picnic Grove Park. Superintendent Reese reported that one is staying, and the X will be removed.

Chairman Otto stated that the emerald ash borer has not morphed into a type that eats other types of trees, thankfully. Triage, an agent used to kill the emerald ash borer, costs \$500/gallon.

VILLAGE UPDATES

Downtown Re-development: Village President Nunamaker said that the developer has met with the PEDC to present the plan and has control of the properties needed to begin Phase I. The development will be a PUD (planned unit development). A public hearing will be held.

Superintendent Reese asked when the developer plans to break ground. He was told very late this year. They expect to have "heads in beds" in early 2017. One of the most common questions asked to the PEDC was if the development would go to section 8 if there were not enough renters. The answer was no, and it is clear that the demand for this type of property is there. Chairman Otto asked if they will be apartments, he was told yes. However, Village President Nunamaker said that they will be set up as condos, with each unit having its own washer/dryer, etc. Member Sepeczi asked if there will be any 3 bedroom units. She was told no, only one and two bedroom units. She further asked what the parking situation will be. She was told that it will primarily be inside/underground.

Village President Nunamaker said that the development is projected to include a lot of green space. The square footage of the entire complex will be approximately 2/3 of the development currently at Routes 14 and 22.

Grover's Restaurant is doing well. Little Caesar's says that they need more business.

The Village has spent \$1.6 million on roads. The worst roads have been done.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Member McNutt and seconded by Member Sepeczi to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. All were in favor.

Chairman Dan Otto

Alison Dal Compo, Secretary

Date Approved