



# Village of Fox River Grove

## **PARKS COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES October 2, 2019**

### **ROLL CALL**

Present were Chairperson Sheri Sepeczi, Members Heather Bond, Bill Conway, Jamie Dimmick, Emily McDonald, Katrina McLaughlin and Lisa Spiek. Also in attendance were Village President Robert Nunamaker, Operations Manager John Reese and Secretary Gaby Jasovic.

### **RESIDENT COMMENTS**

No resident comments.

### **APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 4, 2019 MINUTES**

A MOTION was made by Member Bond to approve the September 4, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Member Spiek. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **PARKS**

*Public Works Monthly Report:* Operations Manager Reese presented the Public Works Monthly Report for August 2019 which included normal routine functions.

*Picnic Grove Park Beer Garden:* Operations Manager Reese presented two exhibits showing a beer garden at Picnic Grove Park with a pergola, permanent tables & chairs and a vendor for coffee & beer along the Fox River. Operations Manager Reese also shared articles regarding the Lake Zurich beer garden and a cost estimate prepared by the Village Engineer of \$390,000. Operations Manager Reese stated that the engineering fee, permitting fees, landscaping and restoration costs are not included in the estimate. Operations Manager Reese also stated a good operating business for the proposed beer garden with a lot of staff is key to keeping the area clean & secure and to bring in customers. Chairperson Sepeczi proposed adding it to the Wish List for future consideration due to its high cost.

*Review of Parks Wish List:* Operations Manager Reese presented an updated Parks Wish List with 52 items compiled from comments by the Parks Commission, staff and residents. Operations Manager Reese stated that \$50,000 of the current budget is allocated to the proposed shoreline restoration so that the remaining balance would be approximately \$5,000 with an additional \$25,000 budgeted in May and the additional funds from the March fundraiser.

Chairperson Sepeczi will be contacting Scott with Cary Grove baseball for possible assistance with the bleachers at Hunters Farm and Foxmoor Parks. Member McDonald will take photos of the bleachers. Member McLaughlin will also bring up the condition of the bleachers at the next ARS PTO meeting.

Chairperson Sepeczi requested removing the concession stand, flag pole at Picnic Grove Park and the dugout players' bench at Lions Park baseball field from the Wish List. In regards to connecting the Asbury asphalt walking path to the baseball field, Member Spiek explained that the existing path ends at a fence line. Operations Manager Reese clarified that the cost to properly dispose of dirt spoils at the

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Trustees Thomas Anderson / Jennifer Curtiss / Jacob Fleischmann / Andrew Migdal / Melissa Schladt / Patrick Wall

Algonquin Road soccer field is higher than the \$85,000 listed. The Lions Club will be installing can lights under the Lions Park shelter.

Chairperson Sepeczi asked the members to review the Wish List prior to the next meeting, inspect the condition of some of the Wish List items and to request feedback from other parents and friends.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

*Homecoming Parade:* The Homecoming Parade will take place on Saturday, October 5, 2019.

*Fox Chase 5k:* The Fox Chase 5k will take place on Sunday, October 6, 2019. Operations Manager Reese will be providing signs and barricades.

*Bean bags from FRG library:* Bean bags for the “Bags” games can be checked out from the Fox River Grove Memorial Library with a library card. This information will be included in an upcoming Village newsletter.

*Picnic Grove Park Fox River Shoreline restoration:* There are no updates per Operations Manager Reese but he will be following up with the Army Corps of Engineers regarding their annual limit of 500 feet of shoreline restoration.

*Picnic Grove Park Bike Path Grant:* There are no updates per Operations Manager Reese.

**NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A MOTION was made by Member McLaughlin and seconded by Member Conway to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. All were in favor.

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Chairperson Sheri Sepeczi

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Gaby Jasovic

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Date approved