

April 13, 2017 Park Committee Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Committee members present: Cindy Slama, Chairperson, Connie Fortune, Janet Herbold, Cortney Kelley, Mary Lou Knox and John Williams

Approval of Agenda

Connie moved to approve the agenda as written, seconded by Mary Lou – Approved – 5 – 0

Park Events Discussion

The Committee discussed the details of the upcoming Easter egg hunt. The Twin Oaks Presbyterian Church expressed interest in helping with the Easter egg hunt. They had two representatives at the meeting. They were Iva Vogan and Jenny (?). Iva and Jenny said the church would like to donate approximately 2,000 eggs stuffed with candy. They also said they had ten volunteers to help put out the eggs the morning of the hunt. Mary Lou requested the PC committee members and the church volunteers be at the park by 8:00 a.m. on the 15th to get ready for the event. As in the past, the Committee decided the eggs would be placed in three areas – one for children ages 0 to 3, the second for children ages 4 to 7 and the third for children ages 8 and up. The areas for the 4 to 7 years old and 8 years and over were expanded from previous years.

Iva and Jenny said the church would be happy to help with other park events such as Family Fun Day if the Park Committee would like their help. Cindy extended an invitation to the church representatives to be involved in the planning of other events.

John's Report

John told the Committee approximately 240 plants of those ordered for Spring had been planted so far.

John said that someone had placed a free standing sign at a tree planted in memory of someone. He removed the sign as it had been previously determined that no free standing signs were allowed on memorial trees.

2017 Budget

The Park Committee reviewed the 2017 expenditures to date. There were no comments.

Dog Park

With respect to possible budget items for 2018, the committee decided not pursue adding a dog park.

Playground Area

The playground area signage needs to reflect the fact that our community is now a city not a village. However, until the appeal of the lawsuit regarding photographers is settled, we will not change the existing signage. Cindy asked the committee members to consider if the signs should remain where they are or be repositioned.

Tree Planting Plan

Mary Lou moved to adopt the tree planting plan as suggest by the arborist, seconded by Janet – Approved 5 – 0

Drinking Fountain

Janet moved to replace the drinking fountain that does not work with one that does not have a mister, seconded by Cortney – Approved 4 – 1

Sidewalk from Playground Bridge

After considering several options, Cortney moved to install flag stones from the playground to the bridge and the bridge to the women's restrooms, seconded by Janet – approved 5 – 0

Barbeque Pit

Janet moved to add a barbeque pit on the east side of the playground, seconded by Mary Lou – Approved 5 – 0

Bridge for Golden Oak Run-off Area

In an effort to eliminate the erosion by the Autumn Leaf entrance (the Golden Oak run-off), the Committee discussed installing a water pipe under a flat slab bridge over the Autumn Leaf entrance path. Janet moved to explore this option, seconded by Cortney – Approved 5 – 0. Cindy will talk to the City engineer, Wes, about this option.

Miscellaneous

Mary Lou asked the committee members if they thought about having face painters and balloon artists again this year at Family Fun day. The members thought these were two successful attractions previously and would like to pursue again this year.

Adjournment

At 8:40 p.m. Connie moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Cortney – Approved 5
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APPROVED THIS 11th DAY OF May, 2017

Cindy Slama

Cindy Slama, Chairperson

Connie Fortune

Connie Fortune, Secretary