

Minutes of the May 11, 2017 Park Committee Meeting

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

Roll Call

Committee members present – Cindy Slama, Chairperson, Carol Boughman, Connie Fortune, Janet Herbold, Mary Lou Knox, John Williams, Tim Stoeckl, Board Liaison

Approval of Agenda

Janet moved to approve the agenda as written, seconded by Carol – Approved 5 – 0

Approval of Minutes

Mary Lou moved to approve the March 9, 2017 minutes as written, seconded by Carol – Approved 4 – 0

Mary Lou moved to approve the April 13, 2017 minutes as written, seconded by Janet – Approved 4 - 0

John's Report

John reported the plantings ordered for the area next to the ladies' restroom have been put in.

The stepping stones to be used as a walk by the playground bridge are in and will be installed the week of May 15.

With respect to the tuck pointing at the double inlet, John said he and Wes, the City engineer, will be performing the work when Wes has availability.

John will be ordering the new water fountain the week of May 15. He will then get an estimate for installation.

The gate at Herzog Lane will be finished in the next couple of weeks. Once it is done, John will do the stone work on the posts. The Herzog Lane gate will stay open unless there is a special event in the park or if the park is closed for construction. John will order the Autumn Leaf gate once the Herzog Lane gate is installed.

Ameren installed the electricity for the pump at the new bridge in the north woods area.

John is planning to buy two tents for the Eclipse event. The tents will be used for other functions such as Family Fun Day.

Budget Discussion

The capital budget for 2017 is \$17,000 - \$10,000 for a water fountain and \$7,000 for tuck pointing the double inlet.

A grant for approximately \$8,000 to develop a trail plan in the north woods has been approved. The cost to the City for the plan will be between \$1,500 - \$1,800.

Suggested budget items for 2018

- Walking trails in the north woods
- Golden Oak erosion project

Events

Easter

The Park Committee members thought the Easter event was very successful. Cindy bought approximately 500 plastic eggs on sale after Easter for \$14.00.

Carol suggested at family park events, the Committee Members and other volunteers wear a lanyard or tag identifying them as someone who can answer questions or help lost children.

Cindy asked the Committee Members to think about an alternative for hiding eggs for the 0 to 3 year old group. The area we have been using is becoming very congested. Perhaps the 2 year olds and under could hunt eggs on the tennis court and the 3 year olds could stay in the old area.

Concerts

The band for the June concert still needs to return the paperwork to the office.

The band for the July concert is set.

With respect to the August concert, we are trying to secure equipment for the DJ from Tom Eisenhauer. Mike Perry has expressed interest in being the DJ. The Committee needs to contact him to determine his availability.

Family Fun Day

Mary Lou suggested we have the same food as last year – hot dogs and pizza. The food would be served starting at 5:00 or 5:30. The Committee needs to think about whether they want to serve slushies and margarita slushies again this year.

Mary Lou plans to get three jump houses.

We need to have signs made indicating where all the day's events are taking place.

At 7:40 p.m. Mary Lou moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Janet – Approved 5 – 0

APPROVED THIS 22nd DAY OF June, 2017

Cindy Slama

Cindy Slama, Chairperson

Connie Fortune

Connie Fortune, Secretary