

Present: Vice-Chairperson Greening; Members: Davis, Harmon, Nelson and O'Reilly.

Absent: Nagle and Wilms

Also Present: Village Manager, Murphy
Assistant to the Manager, Pasioka
Council members, Mooney and Schmitt

Chairperson Greening called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in Beverly Park.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On page 2, last paragraph, change second sentence to read: "This tree and other Ash trees should be checked for the disease."

Motion by Davis, seconded by Nelson, that the minutes of a joint Parks and Recreation Board and Council meeting held on August 1, 2002 be approved as amended.

Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jeff Pynnonen of 31724 Allerton observed that the retention pond contains pea gravel and works the way it should. He is pleased with the work done in the park.

Mooney suggested that a receptacle could be placed on the pavilion wall to hold brick sale forms if the Board plans to continue its sale of engraved paving bricks. Administration will follow up on this.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE - ADMINISTRATION

Murphy reported that the major issues on the contractor's punch list are to improve the grade by adding topsoil in designated areas, provide green grass, and replace dead plants. The contractor will come in after labor day to work on the grass. The work must be completed by October 10.

The archway construction is near completion. It will be inspected by the Village before it is powder coated, which takes about a week.

COMMENTS ON HRC SLED HILL PRESENTATION

Murphy reviewed details on the sled hill plans that were modified based on Parks and Recreation Board discussion with the Hubbell, Roth & Clark representative at the last meeting. Most of the changes involve plant materials.

Board members reviewed the proposed plantings on the sled hill. There was a lengthy discussion on the location of the second set of stairs going up the sled hill and whether its placement accomplishes the initial goal of having two sets of stairs. There was concern with keeping people going up the hill out of the path of those sliding down the hill. Murphy will check with HRC for possible alternatives and will convey the Board's ideas regarding the stairway placement to them.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Nelson, to table consideration of the sled hill improvement plan until the next Parks and Recreation Board meeting.

Motion passed unanimously.

UPDATE ON AUGUST 25TH CONCERT

Greening reviewed that there will be four high school bands performing at the August 25 concert in the park in addition to the featured band, the Millionaires. Two bands will play before the main performance and two following the Millionaires, who will start at 7 p.m. The concerts will begin at 6:00 p.m. and each high school band will play for 30 minutes.

Greening mentioned that an Eccentric newspaper reporter and photographer plan to be in attendance. She spoke with representatives of the Birmingham Community Coalition, who are excited about this event.

Greening commented that Nagle will be organizing the concerts in Beverly Park next year.

BRICK SALES UPDATE

Davis is prepared to mail the next order for personalized paving bricks. Forms for purchasing engraved bricks will be included in the September edition of the Villager newsletter.

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

Pasieka asked Board members if they have any changes to the draft 2003 calendar distributed at the last meeting. Next year's summer concert dates will be needed soon.

Mooney asked if pavilion rental fees will appear in the 2003 calendar. Greening responded that the charges for next year have not been discussed by the Board. This could be an agenda item for next month's meeting.

Pasieka informed the Board that a program of selective Buckthorn trimming and removal in the park will begin soon.

There was a general discussion regarding dead crows found in the vicinity of Beverly Park.

BOARD COMMENTS

Board members congratulated Jim O'Reilly on his success in the primary election. He will be a candidate for Oakland County Circuit Court Judge in November. Board members commented that the brick walkway looks great.

Harmon commented that Comeau Equipment Company is having a difficult time keeping gravel off the parking lot and driveway at Riverside Park due to recent downpours. He asked if Pasieka has heard from Lillian Dean of the Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority regarding a plan for a garden that would alleviate erosion on the side of the road. Pasieka responded that Ms. Dean is planning a September or October presentation to the Parks and Recreation Board on this topic.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Nelson, to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

Motion passed unanimously.

**Patricia Greening, Chairperson
Parks and Recreation Board**

**Ellen E. Marshall
Village Clerk**

**Susan Bernard
Recording Secretary**