

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Assistant to the Manager, Pasioka
Council Liaison, McCleary (late)
Council member, Koss (late)

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

PAVILION PROJECT UPDATE

Patrick Westerlund of Westerlund Architects reviewed the pavilion drawings with the Board. The plans have been modified based on discussion at the May 13 meeting at which time Parks and Recreation Board members provided input and direction to Westerlund on several available options as far as utilizing the structure.

Westerlund described the layout of the building, restrooms, terrace, and landscaping with emphasis on pedestrian traffic flow. He indicated that all of the landscaping shown on the plan can be done in phases and does not have to take place immediately.

Topics of discussion included a color scheme, lighting, bathroom fixtures and the storage room. There was consensus to go with an earth tone color scheme. It was mentioned that some of the suggested items can be removed from the plan if the budget does not allow for them.

Motion by Wilms, second by Nagle, to amend the storage room portion of the pavilion plan to include a refrigerator (either donated or purchased), as much counter space as possible, a sink, a hot water heater, and a roll-up door opening to the pavilion.

Motion passed.

The next regularly scheduled Parks and Recreation Board meeting is June 17. Westerlund will check his availability for that meeting.

TREE PLANTING PROPOSAL

Harmon stated that a Village tree planting program was discussed at the May 18 Council meeting. Council reviewed four recommendations from the Tree Committee and directed administration to proceed with the proposals and seek the assistance of members of the Tree Committee and Judd Hart when necessary.

The Parks and Recreation Board understands that the Tree Committee will finalize the proposed tree planting program and bring it to Council for approval for Fall planting.

PARK CONCERT SERIES

Nagle distributed a flyer created by her brother-in-law to publicize the Beverly Park summer concert series. She related cost estimates and funding available in the parks and recreation budget to print and mail the flyer to 4,100 residences in Beverly Hills. The Board would have to request additional funding from Council. Pasioka indicated that he has been directed to discontinue publication of the quarterly Villager newsletter.

The discussion resulted in a determination that the cost of mailing flyers to residents was prohibitive considering the Village's current financial condition even if the printing cost could be reduced by copying the flyer in house. The suggestion was made that Board members consider hand delivering the flyers to homes in their neighborhoods.

Nagle will come back at the next meeting with information on the least costly way to print the flyers.

BALLFIELD LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES

O'Reilly reported that the ballfield subcommittee met to discuss improvements to the baseball fields, which is the next priority park improvement following the pavilion renovation. The project involves restoration of two existing ballfields including infield layout, soil mix composition, fencing, back stops, and dugouts.

Board members are in receipt of a proposal from Grissim Metz Andriese Associates, landscape architects and civil engineers, to prepare a base drawing and schematic plan with cost estimates for the proposed ballfield improvements. Upon approval of the plans, the firm would prepare plans and specifications, assist with the bidding process, and oversee site construction. The fee for these services would be \$7,000 plus reimbursable expenses. O'Reilly thinks that this fee is reasonable for a project budgeted at \$72,500. He recommends that the Board forward the proposal from Grissim Metz Adriese Associates to Council for consideration and approval.

O'Reilly remarked that it is conceivable that the ballfield project could proceed in August prior to the pavilion project since pavilion renovation work is not likely to proceed until later in the season. Upgrades to the ballfields could be done relatively quickly. O'Reilly commented that he will be in touch with John Mooney representing the Beverly Hills Little League with regard to his ideas on the ballfield improvements.

Board members discussed the proposal and expressed the concern that more than one quote should be solicited for this project.

Motion by Nagle, second by Nelson, to table discussion of a proposal from Grissim Metz Andriese Associates and ask the ballfield subcommittee to meet with John Mooney and research other options for preparation of plans and specifications for the ballfield improvement project.

Motion passed (6 – 1).

REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF JUNE 17

The next regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board is scheduled for Thursday, June 17 in Beverly Park.

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

Pasieka related that Public Services Director Spallasso informed him that the Village received a phone call regarding goose droppings at Riverside Park. It is proposed to erect a sign at Riverside Park in compliance with State DNR regulations prohibiting the feeding of water fowl. The Parks and Recreation Board endorsed this action and suggested a similar sign be posted at the Beverly Park pond.

The Parks and Recreation Board received a letter from Anna Urso, a sixth grader from Berkshire Middle School, requesting that a dog park be established in Beverly Hills. Greening related that the Board has discussed the issue and has decided against pursuing a dog park. Pasieka will answer Ms. Urso's letter.

BOARD COMMENTS

Nagle expressed the view that Pat Westerlund has done a fabulous job on the plans, and she is looking forward to the new pavilion.

Nelson commented that the Memorial Day parade was a fun event attended by many happy people.

O'Reilly agreed that it was a wonderful Memorial Day event and commended the Village Woman's Club on their efforts. He concurs that Mr. Westerlund has done a fine job on the pavilion plans. He thanked the Tree Committee for its hard work.

Davis commented that the brick sales continue.

Greening stated that the posts have been removed and taken from the bridge that Don Greening erected near the park pond. Pasieka informed her that Village staff has taken care of the nails protruding from the bridge.

Greening commented on a letter received by young woman who is displeased with the muddy condition of the basketball courts. She remarked that this will be addressed when improvements are made to the basketball court.

Greening commented that the Village Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be held at the Beverly Park Pavilion on June 10.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Phil Schmitt and Janet Mooney indicated that they were pleased with Pat Westerlund's drawings for the pavilion renovation.

Motion by Nelson, second Nagle, to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Motion passed.

Patricia Greening, Chair
Parks and Recreation Board

Ellen E. Marshall
Village Clerk

Susan Bernard
Recording Secretary

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