

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Assistant to the Manager, Pasieka

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

#### **APPROVE MINUTES**

Motion by Davis, second by Nagle, that the minutes of a regular Parks and Recreation Board meeting held on March 17, 2005 be approved as submitted.

Motion passed.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

New trees of various species recommended by Jack Harmon have been planted in Beverly Park to replace the Ash trees that were removed. Phil Schmitt of Riverside Drive suggested that the trees be labeled as to their species for the benefit of residents who are interested in planting that particular type of tree on their property.

Schmitt commented that Don Greening's lost and found pole positioned near the parking lot has worked out well. Schmitt read from a list of musical groups that will be featured in the Birmingham concert series. He thinks that the Beverly Hills concerts in the park program will be a success this year.

#### **PLACEMENT OF BENCH TO BE DONATED BY GIRL SCOUTS**

Shirley Vincent representing the Girl Scouts was present to talk about the bench that will be purchased for Beverly Park. The Girl Scouts are donating a bench to be placed in the park in memory of scout leaders and scouts who have passed away. They plan to place larger paving bricks under the bench and smaller engraved and personalized paving bricks surrounding the bench. Vincent anticipates planting flowers in that area next spring. She will present a garden proposal to the Board at that time.

Board members walked to the area near the play structure with Vincent, who pointed out where she would like the bench to be located.

Motion by Nelson, second by Davis, to approve the placement of the park bench donated by the Girl Scouts in the location near the play structure as designated by Shirley Vincent.

Motion passed.

#### **PAVILION UPDATE**

Greening reported that people should expect to see some activity in the park at the end of next week in terms of preparation for pavilion construction. Pasieka stated that the

contractor will begin roping off the pavilion and preparing to begin work. Building Official Byrwa will be responsible for day to day supervision and on-site inspections. Patrick Westerlund and Manager Spallasso will approve all construction before authorization is given to pay bills. The construction period is expected to be from 90-120 days.

### **BRICKS**

Davis reported that brick sales are continuing.

### **PARK CLEAN UP MAY 14, 2005**

The Park Clean up is scheduled for Saturday, May 14 at 10 a.m. Jack Harmon will be organizing the efforts of volunteers. Scout groups and the Little League will be contacted. The Lion's Club will be supplying refreshments as it does each year. It was suggested that a tent be erected and designated as a gathering place for volunteers.

Pasieka stated that the Village will provide paper bags this year for compostable material. Collected trash will be put into plastic bags.

### **LIAISON COMMENTS**

None

### **ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS**

Pasieka stated that the Village office will begin notifying people who have reserved the pavilion during the construction period that work is beginning and their money will be refunded.

Picnic tables will be moved from the pavilion to other areas of the park near the barbeque pits and the playground area. Pasieka is looking for ideas on where to store items from the pavilion storage room during construction.

### **BOARD COMMENTS**

Davis urged everyone to vote in the School Board election on May 3.

Nagle thanked the Girl Scouts for donating a park bench that will have engraved paving bricks around it to remember their loved ones.

Wilms asked that Board members receive a copy of the construction timeline for the pavilion if one becomes available. She suggested that any left over sand from the pavilion project be used for a sandbox in the playground area.

Nagle will draft an article about the summer concerts in the park for the next Villager Newsletter.

The status of the ball diamond improvements was questioned. Pasieka stated that we are waiting for a response from Rob Carson of Birmingham Public Schools, who volunteered to work with the Village on finalizing specifications for the ball field renovations and recommending contractors used by the School District.

The Little League opening day festival takes place on Sunday, May 1 at 10 a.m. in Beverly Park.

Nelson stated that Farmington High School is renovating its baseball fields and may be available to address questions from this Board on their project.

Motion by O'Reilly, second by Nelson, to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Motion passed.

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

**Ellen E. Marshall**  
**Village Clerk**

**Susan Bernard**  
**Recording Secretary**