

August 5, 2015- Parks Committee Meeting Minutes  
Village Hall Conference Room, 4:30 PM  
49 State Street, Brockport, NY 14420

PRESENT: Hanny Heyen, Losh Spalla, Linda Ketchum, Lynda Cochran, John LaPierre, Sandi Henschel, Joe Blosenhauer, Barbara Blosenhauer,

NOT PRESENT:  
Kristin Stiles

Hanny Heyen called the meeting to order at 4:30PM.

The May 18<sup>th</sup> minutes were read and approved by the members present.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mural Information:

Visitors were Bill Andrews and Lori Skoog of The Arts & Aesthetics Committee of Walk!Bike! Brockport.

They talked about the mural at the Sagawa Park.

Lori Skoog will be the contact person.

The artist is Rick Muto, the leading muralist in the Rochester area. His work is exceptional.

Bill Andrews said The 7K grant is for materials and labor-in-kind by our DPW to make the wall taller and more sturdy to support and fit the mural. Lori said: The muralist is lowering his price to fit with the 7K match. Money from the Walk!Bike! Brockport Aesthetics' committee, plus 1K raised by the "Jazz Fest West" concert in Sagawa Park last year, will help fulfill the match.

The mural will be done on signboard and then placed on the wall on the west side of Sagawa Park. It will be 8x34, higher than the fence. It will be visible above the bushes.

The theme of the mural will be *Portraits of our Past*. The background is evocative of the Canal. Placed on the background will be portraits of people, projects, etc. that have been important to the village of Brockport.

An interpretive sign will be created by the Brockport Community Museum - "A Museum Without Walls" (cost also included in the grant).

The members of the Parks Committee thanked the visitors for bringing this information to our meeting.

Sagawa Park:

A living evergreen tree in Sagawa Park was discussed. This would replace the tree cut down and placed there each year for the Christmas season. Hanny surveyed the park (with Harry Donahue?) and it was determined that the Northwest corner is the best place for an evergreen to be planted. She would like everyone to look at the space and see if this seems like a good idea. There is limited space for activities that normally occur in this park. We have to be careful about taking up too much space permanently.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion followed re: Parks Law

Members reviewed and discussed and made corrections and emendations to the language of the proposed document for Village of Brockport Codes regarding Parks Law.

A thorough perusal of the Code Review Committee with Art Applebee's recommendations resulted in questions requiring clarification. Hanny Heyen and John LaPierre will contact the persons involved for clarification.

#### Saturday of Service:

August 29<sup>th</sup>; Rich Harris is the contact person. His personal cell number is 716-380-6267  
2 hours total – from 2-4.

We talked about where we need the most work done. A suggestion was made that the Brockport sign on the west side of Main Street needs to be cleaned up. It was suggested we contact Ray Duncan.

#### Things to do during Saturday of Service:

Sagawa: Paint posts and attached chains along Main Street sidewalk (Other posts along south side of park also? They are silver.)

Monika's: Weeding, edging, mulching. Yellow paint for barriers. After, the volunteers will go to Sagawa and paint posts.

Corbett: Black paint to paint the tables. Weeding, edging, mulching in play area and lilac beds.

Evergreen: Weeding, edging, mulching play areas. Paint swing set with primary colors.

#### Some other time.

We are already involved in 4 parks with limited number of supervisors.

Harvester: N. Side of canal, flower beds near both bridges need mulching. We can address it again in late October for Make-A-Difference-Day.

Barry Street: Weeding, edging, mulching may be done by DPW, we will contact Superintendent Donahue.

Corbett Park: Sanding and staining the picnic tables under the trees (not in shelter), too much for students, add to 5-year plan?

SPLASH PARK:

After research and discussion the members of the Parks Committee decided that a splash park is NOT A PRIORITY. Costs and maintenance are prohibitive right now. The consensus is that this is not feasible for our village.

OFFICERS:

The current slate of officers has been re-elected by a consensus vote of the membership.

Hanny Heyen – President

Linda Ketchum – Vice President

Sandi Henschel – Secretary

Hanny Heyen, Lynda Cochran and John LaPierre have met with vendors re: South Avenue Park. Ben Frasier is the contact person. He is going to present a 3-phase plan to explain what will come next in each phase.

Barbara Blosenhauer mentioned ‘adult playground equipment’ for the older generation to keep fit. Losh suggested Barry Street as a possibility for putting in this kind of equipment, especially since the Pickle ball courts are there. The idea was met with great enthusiasm by the members present. Discussion will follow at the next meeting concerning looking for grants for this project and adding it to our 5-year Plan.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:30.

The meeting was adjourned. 5:50PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandi Henschel, Secretary

