

Parks Meeting, July 11, 2016
Story Tower, Seymour Library, 7PM
161 East Avenue, Brockport, NY 14420, 637-1050

MINUTES

Hanny called the meeting to order at 7:10PM.

ATTENDANCE:

Present:

Hanny Heyen, Lynda Corcoran, Joe Blosenhauer, Annie Crane, John LaPierre, Kristin Stiles, Linda Ketchum, Sandi Henschel

Not Present:

Barbara Blosenhauer, Losh Spalla, Karen Agostinelli

MEETING MINUTES:

Lynda C. made a motion to accept the May 9, 2016, Parks Committee minutes. Linda K. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.;

Joe made a motion to accept the June 13, 2016 Parks Committee minutes. Kristin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The minutes were approved.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Hanny received a letter from Allan Berry of the Brockport Community Museum about where to put the Interpretive sign for the mural in Sagawa Park. After on-site meetings with Allan, the suggested site to place the sign was in front of the mural on the left end of the landscaped island. Linda made the motion to do so. -Sandi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Harvester Park: Annual Flower planting (Welcome Center)

Hanny talked with Pam Ketchum about what to plant at Harvester. Pam suggested some perennials that Losh and Hanny will plant.

- Parks' brochure (Karen, HH), Norm Frisch

Norm has an old brochure put together several years ago. He suggested we forward him what info we have so he can put it in a new, more modern, updated brochure.

- Signage: Name/Village of Brockport

Hanny held up a piece of 24" x 48" cardboard to show the members the sign size for the Village parks. Losh has been working on pricing sign material costs. The material for the sign is compressed plywood. Stull's carries it, as well as Lowes and Stockham Lumber in Holley. The total estimated costs will be determined, and once that's done, we'll approach Lowes and see if materials can be donated.

- Tennis Nets/6 posts (Lynda)

Lynda was able to obtain 3 nets for Corbett Park's tennis courts from Nate Bull, College @ Brockport's Athletic Facilities Coordinator. She introduced Harry Donahue to the Nate Bull and Harry picked up the 3 nets. Lynda suggested that the thank you note be sent to Erick Hart, Athletic director, and that Nate Bull be mentioned for his help. In the future, we hope our parks will continue to be the recipients of the department's used athletic equipment. It worked out very well this time, and the committee thanked Lynda for her handling the exchange.

- Parks' Surveys

All surveys are in. Mulch is piled in many parks and should be spread by the end of the week.

Kristin says that Corbett is in very rough shape, especially the old wooden equipment. The equipment is rickety and dangerous and needs to be removed as soon as possible.

- Annual Fall Saturday of Service, August 27, 2016, 1:00 – 6:00 PM.

Linda will review all the things that need to be done using our survey sheets, and let us know at our next meeting on August 8th, what tasks we will supervise and assign to the (volunteer) college freshmen to help keep the parks spruced up.

NEW BUSINESS:

- South Avenue (Honorary Tree Planting, July 26, 2016)-David Moore

Hanny heard from Dave Moore, DPW foreman. Dave's father passed away in late winter and he would like to plant a memorial tree in the South Avenue Park. Lynda made a motion to allow Dave to plant a tree in honor of his dad in the South Avenue Park. Kristin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Approved. Harry will remove a maple tree near South Avenue to be planted in back of the park, and the new memorial oak tree will be planted in its place.

South Avenue playground equipment is here but not yet installed. Hanny will attend a Board meeting on July 18, 2016 to put our needs before the Village.

- Copper Beech tree (73' tall), South Ave. Park, as a potential statistic for the NYSDEC's Big Tree Register. This is not under Parks Committee jurisdiction. Hanny is referring it to the Tree Board.

- Boathouse: Status report

The Village boathouse project is ongoing, including discussions with parties of where it should be built. It will not be located in the back of the park abutting the Carolin Drive neighbors.

- Grant: Application:

Hanny suggested we not pursue a Canalway grant to piggy-back on the boathouse grant because its in-kind match of 50% is too much stress for the Village budget and personnel. She mentioned another grant: NYS Parks and Recreation Grant (25% in-kind match), Consolidated Funding Application [CFA] to be handled by J. O'Connell & Assoc. Grant Development Services. Deadline: July 29th. Hanny encouraged members to think of ways to strengthen the grant. Who uses the area? Accessibility; families w/children; and other ideas. Winter activities were suggested for a Winter Carnival.

- The Kool Kids program will again be in Sagawa Park this summer. Wegmans rescued it—donating the funds—after the public announcement that it would be cancelled

OTHER: On Thursday, July 14, 2016, Harry Donahue will meet with a representative of the Monroe County Storm Water Coalition. In addition, they will go to check the water in-flow and out-put of the Corbett Park pond.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17PM.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, August 8, 2016
At the Seymour Library at 7:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandi Henschel, Secretary