



Parks and Public Spaces Committee
3930 N. Murray Avenue, Committee Room
Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, December 12, 2023
6:00 p.m. – P&PS Committee

1. P&PS Committee Call to Order (6:00 p.m.)
2. Consideration of the November 14 meeting minutes
3. Staff Liaison Updates
4. Discussion and possible recommendation: Friends of Nature Preserve upcoming activities in response to landscape management plan by Marek Landscaping
5. Discussion of recommended changes/strategy for 2024 Comprehensive Parks Plan update
6. Parks Updates
7. Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Updates
8. Other Public Spaces Updates
9. Discuss and Consider Future Agenda Items
10. Adjournment

DATED at Shorewood, Wisconsin this 8th day of December 2023.

VILLAGE OF SHOREWOOD
Toya Harrell, Village Clerk

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Parks and Public Spaces Committee

Minutes

November 14, 2023 6:00 PM

3930 N. Murray Avenue, Shorewood, WI 53211

1. Call to order.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM.

Members present: Chair Gary Brunk, Vice Chair Hanna Seegers, and members Sandie Pendleton, Donald Lodge, Ian Berry (came in at 6:04), Ruth Williams, Andrew Kaczmarek, Robert Austin, and Heather Mansfield.

Members not present: Mary Jorgensen, Roger Mason, Katie Harrigan, one vacancy

Others present: Assistant Village Manager Chris Anderson, Katie Gnau, Tom Talajkowski, 4190 N. Prospect, Kate Strehlow 4115 N. Prospect, Kristin Greenman

2. Consideration of the October 10 meeting minutes

Mr. Pendleton moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Lodge and motion passed 8-0.

3. Staff Liaison Updates

No report.

4. Discussion and vote on the Chapter 207 recommendations to the Public Safety committee as outlined in memo prepared by committee member Sandie Pendleton

The Public Safety standing committee asked the Parks and Public Spaces (P&PS) Committee for a recommendation after meeting to discuss the topic on August 7. The P&PS Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety subcommittee met to discuss and Mr. Pendleton recommends a revision to Chapter 207 to update current language of bicycle operators in front with passengers behind the operator affixed to the bicycle in a factory approved seat. Mr. Pendleton moved to send a recommendation to this effect to the Public Safety standing committee, seconded by Ms. Seegers, and the motion carried 9-0.

5. Discussion of ideas to focus the work of the Public Spaces subcommittee

The committee discussed the efforts of the Other Spaces subcommittee- previous primary focus of the dog poop stations and bags. There was a recommendation to discuss “opportunity spaces” in Shorewood: vacant lot dry cleaners, Metro Market stalls, tables at Metro Market and sidewalk area, SE and SW corner of Capitol and Oakland, front lawn of HS and NS bank, Edgewood and Oakland, Humble Park (hardly anyone there – Benjamin Moore), Capitol and Downer. The committee discussed the idea for placemaking in the Village is important and the committee can provide the grassroots support to get these going and beautify them. Mr. Lodge discussed triangular spaces at Summit and Menlo – grassy areas and the need for neighbors to weigh in and talk about how these spaces can be used instead. Roger Mason is glad to work on this subcommittee and Mr. Austin is also interested.

6. Parks Updates

Ms. Williams asked when the Nature Preserve would be open again since it has had the closure sign up for some time. The Parks subcommittee met with AVM Anderson to discuss update to the Park Plan. The Nature Preserve was not listed in the previous plan, and opportunities for Pickleball will also be added to the plan update. The subcommittee's plan is to bring what the subcommittee is discussing and the path going forward at the December meeting.

7. Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Updates

Future agenda item for discussion: WisDOT 349-995 went into effect Aug 5, 2023. If someone gets a ticket for reckless driving, does not pay the ticket, that police officer can impound the vehicle and collect towing fees, etc. This will be brought to Village Leadership's attention.

8. Other Public Spaces Updates

Covered with earlier discussion.

9. Discuss and consider future agenda items

Mr. Berry asked about the status of the Edgewood Advisory Bike Lanes and Mr. Brunk mentioned it was calm a bit. The City of Milwaukee will be monitoring speeds and tracking accidents in this new road configuration. Mr. Pendleton reported walking Edgewood Ave with a vocal opponent of the design and this helped to provide answers. On Saturday, December 2 the Wisconsin Bike Fed will host the Santa Cycle rampage. Details about a meet up in Shorewood were shared with the committee and will be in a future Village Manager's Memo.

10. Adjournment

Mr. Pendleton moved to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Seegers. The motion carried 9-0 and the meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Chris Anderson
Assistant Village Manager