



Parks and Public Spaces Committee

Minutes

August 10, 2021 6:30 P.M.

via Teleconference

3930 N. Murray Avenue, Shorewood, WI 53211

1. Call to order.

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

Members present: Bonnie Pedraza, Donald Lodge, Eileen Lauer, Heather Mansfield, Ian Berry, Janee Pederson, Remy Perez, Hanna Seegers, Mary Jorgensen (arrived at 6:45 p.m.)

Members not present: Gary Brunk, Cameron Lumley, Enrique Figueroa, Michael DeMarco, Mary Jorgensen

Others present: Assistant Village Manager Tyler Burkart, Trustee Kathy Stokebrand, Amanda Adrian

2. Consider Approval of the July 13, 2021 Minutes

Ms. Pedraza moved approval of the July 13, 2021 minutes. Mr. Lodge seconded the motion. Motion approved by a 8-0 vote.

3. Staff Liaison Updates

Mr. Burkart informed the Committee that WisDOT will be performing a parking study over the month of August to determine parking needs in the final design of the Lake Drive reconstruction project. The dog waste stations will be installed in the next week, pending weather. All 15 stations have community members who adopted them, meaning they will check frequently to assure there are bags in them. Lastly, the Village Board will be considering a new lifeguard contract at a special meeting on August 16. The vendor would be USA Management and would perform the services roughly for the same costs as the current vendor.

4. Discuss Nature Preserve Space and Recent Concerns Expressed to the Village

Mr. Burkart shared the concerns raised by neighbors about the Nature Preserve space. Mr. Lodge mentioned the Parks subcommittee has begun to discuss the underutilization of the Nature Preserve. He shared the idea of a trail map of where to go and where not to go. There was discussion of updating the signs with the rules. The Parks subcommittee also shared the idea of creating Parks pages to put on the website. Mr. Burkart asked the Parks subcommittee to create the content for the website and ask staff to help with any information that is unknown to include. The Parks subcommittee would also review signage and make a recommendation on improvements for the September meeting.

5. Sub-committee Updates

Parks – Ms. Mansfield mentioned the subcommittee will be reviewing the Comprehensive Park Plan and brainstorming some additional amenities that could be added to the park spaces. The subcommittee will also assess if any current existing amenities need to be added to the plan. There was also a brief update on the progress of Triangle Park.

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Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety – Ms. Jorgensen and Ms. Seegers met with two Police officers about bicycle and pedestrian safety. The officers provided them resources available for educational purposes. They also reported on recent bike thefts and accidents. They discussed the importance of bicycle license plates to identify stolen bicycles. Mr. Burkart shared the subcommittee could reach out to the schools to be present and engage with the students.

Other Public Spaces – The subcommittee divided up the stations to oversee and review them once the installations occur. Mr. Burkart will send the list of sponsors to the subcommittee.

6. Discuss and Consider Future Agenda Items

No report.

7. Adjournment.

Meeting was not adjourned due to a power outage at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Tyler Burkart
Assistant Village Manager