

Present: Chairperson Arvant; Members: Davis, Greening, Hausman, Schmitt

Absent: Kondak and Ruprich

Also Present: Assistant Manager/Clerk, Marshall  
Council Liaison, Mooney

Chairperson Arvant called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. in Beverly Park.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING HELD JULY 17, 2014**

Motion by Schmitt, second by Davis, that the minutes of a regular Parks and Recreation Board meeting held on July 17, 2014 be approved as submitted.

Motion passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**ACCEPT CINDY ARVANT'S RESIGNATION FROM THE PARKS & RECREATION BOARD**

Chairperson Cindy Arvant expressed her disappointment at having to leave the Parks and Recreation Board due to employment obligations. Board members acknowledged her resignation and expressed deep regret that she will be vacating her position on the Board. Arvant said that she would continue to participate in Parks and Recreation activities.

**CONSIDER REPLACING BOARDS ON PICNIC TABLES AT BEVERLY PARK**

Ellen Marshall related that she came across a product that could be used to replace worn and weathered boards on picnic tables with a recycled plastic material with a wood grain finish. Retrofit kits can be purchased to transform old tables by reusing the frames and replacing boards and hardware. Members are in receipt of written material and renderings of this product available through BarcoBoard picnic table retrofit kits. Other vendors may be available. Marshall thought that the work could be done in the winter by Village DPW staff. Board members discussed the product and scope of work.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Hausman, that the Parks and Recreation Board recommend that Council authorize spending up to \$10,000 to replace weathered boards on picnic tables in Beverly Park with a synthetic product. Money for this project would come from the Parks and Recreation Maintenance Fund.

Motion passed.

**CONSIDER INSTALLING PET DRINKING FOUNTAIN AT BEVERLY PARK**

Marshall provided information and examples from a catalog of drinking fountains designed for pets. Board members considered installing a pet drinking fountain in Beverly Park in a specific location where there is an existing concrete slab near a water line. Catalog photos show various styles of drinking fountains, some of which depict a human drinking fountain with a pet attachment. This product might keep people from bringing their dogs to the drinking fountain in the pavilion, where dogs are not allowed.

Members discussed the idea of a pet drinking fountain and directed Ellen Marshall to research the product further and bring back a recommendation for Board consideration.

### **RECAP OF MOVIE IN THE PARK**

Arvant reported that the Movie in the Park event held this August was a success with about 200 people in attendance. People enjoyed eating popcorn and watching the Lego Movie. The cost of licensing the movie, popcorn, and engaging Stardust Rental Company to set up and operate the movie screen and sound system was under \$1,000. The suggestion was made to purchase a banner advertising the event next year to hang on the park fence.

### **LIAISON COMMENTS**

Mooney commented that Cindy Arvant will be missed on the Parks and Recreation Board. He thanked her for her enthusiasm and contributions to the park over the years. Mooney reiterated his support of the Parks and Recreation Board.

### **ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS**

Marshall mentioned that the storage shed for Beverly Hills Little League equipment has been completed. Board members commented favorably on the building. It was noted that the brick has yet to be installed on the lower part of the structure.

Marshall related that there has been an issue with bees in the pavilion area this summer. People renting the pavilion have complained about the bees; upcoming renters have been contacted and notified of the issue. The Village has sprayed the area and moved trash cans away from the pavilion. An exterminator will be coming out tomorrow.

Marshall added that Council approved a quote from Owen Tree Service for fertilizer application for three years at the following locations: Administrative Offices, Beverly Park, Public Safety Building, and Riverside Park.

### **BOARD COMMENTS**

Board members expressed their regret that Cindy Arvant is leaving the Parks and Recreation Board and hoped that she will continue to be a presence at meetings and events.

Greening observed that the park is in need of Fall landscape work in terms of trimming shrubs and cleaning planting beds. After some discussion on how to proceed, the Board asked Pat Greening to contact area landscape companies and request that they visit the park to provide a quote on work that needs to be done. Greening was authorized to proceed with contracting a landscape company for the fall cleanup if the cost is under \$1,000.

Hausman asked for an update on work to improve a neighborhood green space at the corner of Greenfield and Beverly Roads. Money has been allocated to improve and restore this overgrown park area. There was very little information available on the status of this project.

Arvant related that she enjoyed her tenure on the Parks and Recreation Board and thanked the members for everything. She affirmed that she would still be around in an unofficial capacity.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.