

Present: Chairperson Hausman; Vice-Chair Ruprich; Members: Borgon, and Schmitt

Absent: Members: Davis, Greening, and Kondak

Also Present: Councilmember Mueller

Chairperson Hausman called the regular Parks & Recreation Board meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. in the Village of Beverly Hills municipal building at 18500 W. Thirteen Mile Road.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF A PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING HELD MARCH 17, 2016.**

Motion by Schmitt, second by Ruprich, that the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Board meeting, held on March 17, 2016, be amended to show that Greening was absent from the meeting and then approved as amended.

Motion passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**DISCUSS PREPARATIONS FOR MEMORIAL DAY PARADE AND CARNIVAL**

Michael Eberhardt, parade chairman, updated the Board on the need for a six foot, white “Grand Marshal” banner, and possibly some magnetic signs for the cars. Hausman stated she would have Assistant Manager Marshall inventory the current signs.

Eberhardt asked for a list of donors to reach out to and offer them a position in the parade. The Equestrian Team has agreed to stay with their horses after the parade, and will need space in the parking lot for their horses and trailers.

Hausman reported on ceremony details, informing the committee that Rep. Levin will be attending the event. There are several prominent members of the Village who are being considered to MC the event. Jim Mocerri has agreed to coordinate the sound system. A Groves High School student will play taps, and a confirmation from Selfridge Air base is still required on the status of the requested fly over. Currently they are just over \$4,000 in sponsorship funding.

Ruprich reported that she has four food trucks confirmed; Kona Ice, Grilled Cheese, Motor City Franks, and Detroit BBQ. The Groves High School band has agreed to sell water as part of their fundraising.

Borgon reported after speaking with Mr. Oz, who owns the carnival ride rental company; they have decided to drop one inflatable and substitute a second ride. A final contract is due within the week.

Hausman reported there are a few groups lined up to host games, but they have room for more, if there is any interest. Ruprich agreed to contact the airbrush tattoo lady.

Hausman reported she spoke with the table, chair and tent rental company. Discussion followed and the Board agreed NOT to move the picnic tables out of the pavilion and set up tables and chairs in there, thus only needing to rent one tent this year.

### **COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS**

Mueller advised the Board the trees had not yet been planted, but all locations had been marked, and a map provided. The playground and adult exercise equipment has been installed and has been well received by patrons of the park. Mueller reported the flower beds were looking well cared for, and various painting projects would be completed in May.

Mueller reported they should progress to the bid searching phase for the proposed refillable water bottle station. The priority in the bids is that it is for a unit that can be left outdoors year round. Borgon reported that she spoke with Elkay who manufactured the current drinking fountain; they suggested a possible retrofit on the existing plumbing. Most of their refillable stations are indoor standalone style. Ruprich stated she also had spoken to a company, and they gave her a loose estimate of \$1,100 and suggested a plumber would be needed to install the fountain, as well as possibly an electrician for the power.

Mueller shared with the Board there would be updates at Riverside Park including possible new picnic table, painted bench, recycling bin, new trash cans, and a cover for the cauldron.

### **ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS**

Hausman reported, per Marshall, a woman has made a \$1,000 donation to the Park, and will have a plaque in her husband's honor placed on the bench by the gazebo where the two of them had their first date and he subsequently proposed to her at the same location.

### **BOARD COMMENTS**

Schmitt reported that he witnessed a Jet's Pizza commercial being filmed in Beverly Park and would like some verification regarding permits for that activity. Ruprich agreed to follow up with Village Manager, Chris Wilson.

Ruprich reported that the park was in good condition; however the disc golf tee boxes were in need of some work. It was agreed that Ruprich would speak to Village Manager Wilson regarding the move of the "plunger" from the playground area to the basketball area will it would get more use.

Hausman reported that sand was needed in the sand box, and that the "Next Tee" sign on the pathway by the hill appears to be broken. During her travels in Spain, she visited several public parks; many of them have permanent outdoor ping pong tables, and climbing rope spider webs. She thought these things might be a good addition to Beverly Park, and would obtain more information about them.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.