

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

Absent: Member Davis

Also Present: Assistant Manager/Clerk, Marshall  
Council Member, Delaney

Chairperson Hausman called the regular Parks & Recreation Board meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Village of Beverly Hills at Beverly Park.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF A PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING HELD MAY 19, 2016.**

Motion by Schmitt, second by Borgon, that the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Board meeting, held on May 19, 2016, be approved as submitted.

Motion passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**DISCUSSION POTENTIAL EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT**

Eagle Scout Chaz Ringey presented a proposal to rebuild the horseshoe pits in August. He suggested moving them from the current location, so it can be made regulation size and will have space for the backboard he proposes building. The backboard will keep the horseshoes on the sand area, and protect visitors from tripping over the stakes. The stakes in a regulation horseshoe pit are 40 feet apart, with two 36” tall, one-inch diameter metal stakes, with 14 inches above ground. He plans to build the backboard out of 1 ½” thick pressure treated wood that will be able to withstand the elements and the horseshoes. He suggested that the Village have horseshoes stored at the park that can be made available during Village events, otherwise people would bring their own to play. Discussion took place regarding the final area for a horseshoe pit to be located, it was decided to keep it near the current location, adjusted to fit as regulation size. It was suggested that the newly constructed horseshoe pit run north to south. He will not need any funding from the Village since he plans to raise the funds himself.

Moved by Schmitt, second by Kondak, that the Parks and Recreation Board recommends Council authorize Chaz Ringey’s Eagle Scout project to rebuild the horseshoe pits at Beverly Park in approximately the same location as currently exists.

Motion passed.

**REVIEW AND DISCUSS MEMORIAL DAY PARADE AND CARNIVAL**

Parade chairpersons Kim and Mike Eberhardt reviewed this year’s Memorial Day Parade and Carnival. Due to the warm weather turnout was lower than usual, but those in attendance had a wonderful time. Eberhardt provided an overview of the parade and listed a number of acts and participants. She mentioned that there were a lot of grade school and high school aged parade participants, and next year they would like to grow the middle school participation. For 2017, she recommended budgeting additional funds for the equestrian team, which normally charges \$800,

and Paws the Detroit Tigers mascot whose price has increased by \$100. She also reminded the Board that she and Mike will be out of town next year for the parade and are willing to work with next year's organizers.

On behalf of the Parks and Recreation Board and Council, Hausman thanked Kim and Mike Eberhardt for all of their work as chairpersons of the Memorial Day Parade. They have done a wonderful job.

Delaney stated that Judge Arvant and Councilman Abboud did a wonderful job at the Memorial Day Service. He suggested that the Board consider changing the time of the commemoration ceremony next year.

Hausman shared the financial information regarding the Memorial Day Parade and Carnival and numbers are down over the last three years. Ticket sales numbers over the last three years have been 2014: \$4,762; 2015: \$4,020; 2016: \$3,891. There are noticeably fewer people attending, and they seem to be staying less time. One food truck vendor canceled at the last minute so arrangements were made with Jet's Pizza to deliver pizza which was sold by the slice. It was discussed by the Board that next year some new ideas are needed to draw people to the parade and carnival. Suggestions included cardboard box derby races or a dunk tank to engage middle school students. Members would also like to know if the zip line can be rented from Oakland County Parks.

#### **UPDATE ON PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

Marshall presented a chart outlining the status of various park projects. The gazebo needs to be stained. The bridge has been marked as an Eagle Scout project. The Park Rangers will paint the fence on the hill. Councilmen Oen, Mueller, and Mooney plan to repair and refurbish the disc golf tee box. Woodchips are being added to the disc golf pathways. Jason's Landscaping has done the landscaping in the restroom area, and removed the juniper near the pavilion. The park rangers have filled in slag on the hill steps. The lost and found pole has been refurbished. The No Swimming/Diving/Wading sign has been cleaned up. Councilman Abboud is looking into having the rules sign replaced and wrapping the trash receptacles. A proposal has been submitted for consideration to rebuild the horseshoe pits this summer as an Eagle Scout project. Hausman is looking into more information on outdoor table tennis. Mooney will repair the chain link fencing on the north baseball field backstop. The sound garden has been refurbished. Sand has been added to the playground sand pits. A water bottle filling station is being researched for possible options. A mister for the playground is pending; consideration is being given to how the water would be supplied, and the necessary concrete pad.

Kondak suggested that the raised drain south of the pavilion is a hazard.

At Riverside Park, the parking lines need repainting and the tables and trash bins need to be painted. The trees and brush need trimming, the Native Garden needs some attention, and woodchips need to be added. A platform over the concrete caldron was discussed, as well as a new bench at the west end.

**REVIEW AND CONSIDER LARGE GROUP SURVEY FOR BEATTY AND LERNER**

Concern was expressed regarding the application by Beatty. Her application estimated 250 persons attending the event. The Village application clearly states that the max allowance for attendance is 150.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Hausman, that the Parks and Recreation Board approves the Lerner application and denies the Beatty application.

Motion passed.

**COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS**

Delaney stated that the dead trees in the park and along Beverly Road need to be cut down. He also suggested that the trees in the islands be replaced in the future.

**ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS**

Marshall stated that the dead trees along Beverly Road are scheduled to be removed. There are also low hanging branches along the path that will be removed. She stated that Kadima approached administration about having a food truck in the park on movie night, and Council will be asked to waive the sales restriction for that evening.

**BOARD COMMENTS**

Ruprich confirmed that the screen and the movie have been rented for Movie Night. She committed to contacting the popcorn supplier, Kona Ice, and create a flyer for publicity. Borgon will get bottled water for that evening. Hausman has not heard from the DIA regarding their mobile studio, however, they generally do not commit until a month before the event.

Kondak thanked everyone for their work on the Memorial Day Carnival.

Borgon thanked everyone for their work on a successful Memorial Day Carnival.

Ruprich shared she has been approached by several residents requesting that the tennis courts be repaved. There has also been a request for posted rules for the tennis court usage. Most courts have an hour limit on them. There are people using the tennis court for lessons and charging their students without permission of the Village.

Hausman thanked everyone for their help planning and working the Memorial Day Carnival. She also shared the plan from the DIA on what seven pieces will be displayed in the park and where for the DIA Inside Out Art display.

Members discussed canceling the July meeting since several members will be absent from the community.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Ruprich, that the July 21, 2016 Parks and Recreation Board meeting be canceled.

Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 pm.