



**Parks Committee Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, February 26, 2014**

Call to Order:

Chair Kathy Rhoads called the meeting to order at 6:47 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Chair Kathy Rhoads, Larry Landis, Carol Carter, and Bonnie Gordon

Absent: Sue Cox

Approval of Minutes:

Carol Carter made a motion to approve the minutes of January 22, 2014, and the motion was seconded by Larry Landis. Aye votes all. The minutes were approved as written.

Parks & Streets Commissioner's Report:

The attached report was submitted by Jon Sobczak.

Privilege of the Floor:

Leslie Miller thanked the Department for all of their hard work to keep up with plowing the roads.

Mrs. Miller reported she spoke with Mrs. Boyert and it will be \$72 for each flower pot to be replanted. Mrs. Miller asked Mr. Sobczak to look for a good location for the two new additional flower pots.

Mr. Ogurchak talked with the Committee concerning the safety of the proposed expansion of the walking/biking trail. Mr. Ogurchak's letter of concerns and First Energy documentation for Rights-of-Way Restrictions are attached. There was a discussion about the type of activities that happen in the area of concern. The Committee did share that at this time the plan is preliminary to apply for grants. The Committee will review the map and talk with Solicitor. The Committee thanked Mr. Ogurchak for presenting his concerns and will keep them in mind going forward.

New Business:

John Gladden spoke with the Committee about the Farmer's Market entering the 6<sup>th</sup> year. Mr. Gladden thanked the Village for the support and appreciates being able to use the Marie Stanhope Park. Mr. Gladden shared that the market is unique because it is a producers' market. Mr. Gladden noted there will be different events going on over the summer including pets and the zucchini smack down competition. The Farmers' Market is looking for better ways to market the Farmers' market. The Farmers' Market is open 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. every Saturday rain or shine. The market will be closed on the Yard Sale Saturday. Chair Rhoads offered to put information on the website and at the parks' kiosks.

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New Business (continued):

Larry Landis made a motion to recommend to Council to use Boyert's for replanting the flower pots that are placed downtown. Kathy Rhoads seconded the motion. Aye votes all.

Chair Rhoads asked the Committee to keep budgeted projects in mind with making decisions. Mr. Sobczak will create a spreadsheet of 2014 projects with estimated start dates and budgeted amounts. Please be careful as the Committees are thinking of new projects that we are using the same crew whether its Streets or Parks. Chair Rhoads pointed out to the Committee members they may have to be willing to do some of the leg work on new projects so the employees can continue to stay on track with their current projects. Please consider the cost of the new project, whom it will impact, whom it will benefit, the ongoing maintenance and if we have the capability to provide the necessary services. Chair Rhoads feels this will help with creating projects for 2015.

Old Business:

Mrs. Gordon will make time to look through previous Park Trail information that could be used for applying for grants. It was discussed that a Sub Committee will be needed to work on the grant process.

Carol Carter said she talked with Mr. Richard Barbera and he will help with getting information on how Medina set up their dog park. Mrs. Carter introduced Mike and Barb Damore to talk about the dog park. Mr. Damore explained he has seen dog pens as big as 350 feet long by 450 feet wide for large dogs and 150 feet long by 250 wide for small dogs. They typically have a two gate access where a gate closes behind you before you enter the dog run. Mr. Damore said he had a 2013 estimate of \$8,369 for the fencing. There was a discussion on safety and it was noted people generally govern themselves. The location being considered is adjacent to Cy Hewit Park. There was a discussion on insurance. Some parks include spraying for fleas, plastic bags, benches, small pavilion, and a place to get water. There was a discussion that donations could be raised along with finding volunteers to help with installation. The Damores offered their assistance. There was a discussion about Bow Wow Park located in Stow. The Committee will review more information and discuss at the next meeting.

Mr. Sobczak reviewed information about his recommendation for pay increases for his departments' pay levels. The pay levels have not been adjusted since 2008. Chair Rhoads made a recommendation to Council to move forward with reviewing the Parks & Streets pay levels. Mr. Landis seconded the recommendation. Aye votes all.

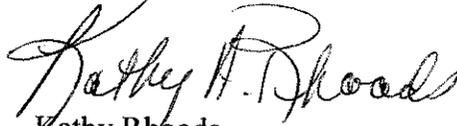
Mr. Sobczak reported half of the playground equipment has been received and the rest is in transit. The cost of equipment was budgeted at \$16,000 and the actual cost has been \$13,300.

Chair Rhoads would like to have a time to walk through the maintenance building. Chair Rhoads will follow up with a date.

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Carol Carter made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Larry Landis seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

 3/26/2014

Kathy Rhoads  
Parks Committee Chair

February 26 2014

To the village of Seville  
Topic : Proposed walking/bike trail  
Location property owner of 300W Greenwich Rd

My concern with the proposed walking/bike trail is to keep trespassers off my property, as you know or my not know this has been a on going problem ever since we have moved here in 2009. The biggest problem has been the discharge of firearms due to people illegally hunting on the property. The police have been notified, and police reports have been filed. No one has been apprehended due to the 4 wheelers used to leave the property. One person even has a electric camouflaged 4 wheeler that was found parked in the brush, in the process of looking for them they back tracked around and got away. We also have found beer cans, pot plants, hunting snares, hunting traps, live, and discharged shotgun shells.

To put in a trail, I fill my property will become a haven for even more illegal activity. Also to put in a trail , my question to the Village is will the police department and fire department have the man power, and the vehicles to assist in a emergency or reported illegal activity.

I have about fifteen acres of heavily wooded property at the back end of my lot that is filled with wild life, including a pack of coyote. The Game and Wild life association has been contacted, and I was told that I can shoot the coyote, and that the wild life ass. does not have the man power to send out any one to address the problem. At a safety meeting I told Chief Burson that we never walk are property with out being armed and if I ever have to shoot a coyote I will contact the police department.

The question, is do you want a trail in a area of known predators, and is the village of Seville willing to accept liability if someone is attacked by a coyote or shot by a poacher. I do not want the liability of someone getting hurt on my property, because they wanted to wonder off the trail and onto my property. This property is large and unfortunately once your get past the treeline on the main property the rest of the

property becomes isolated. You can not hear people in the back or kids on 4 wheelers. As recently as last week my sons and I walked into the back property and found beer cans which had been shot by a shotgun. Due to the activity in the past 5 years our family feels this bike trail will become an open invitation to 4 wheelers and illegal activity. I am asking this counsel to weigh in on my concerns of this proposed trail due to the many safety issues that are involved, and because there is such a great distance of secluded wooded area. Will the Village have the man power to prevent a possible animal attack, robbery, a rape, a drug deal, and 4 wheeler on the trail. These are my concerns and problems that I see this trail can, and will promote.

Thank You The Ogurchak Family  
300W Greenwich Rd



## Transmission Rights-of-Way Restrictions

**Warning:** Failure to comply with the following may cause property damage, serious bodily injury and/or death

### Working Safety Restrictions

Compliance is required for all Occupational Safety Health Administration (OSHA) **safe-working clearances** between persons, conductive objects and energized conductor/wire. **NOTICE:** The conductor/wire position changes continuously depending on load, ambient temperature, wind speed, etc. FirstEnergy is not responsible for providing conductor/wire position to determine OSHA safe-working clearance.

Parking or operating a vehicle or equipment within or adjacent to a FirstEnergy transmission right-of-way may induce an electrical charge. Induced electric charges may also be transmitted to objects such as fences, signs, or any other conductive object. The use of a proper grounding system designed by a licensed engineer is required. Construction vehicles, vehicles with booms and equipment operating within or adjacent to a FirstEnergy transmission right-of-way must be properly grounded.

### Right-of-Way Access

FirstEnergy authorized personnel, vehicles and equipment must have continuous access to the right-of-way and all FirstEnergy structures.

### Right-of-Way Restrictions

- Changes to grade elevations within the FirstEnergy transmission right-of-way are NOT permitted. Ground disturbance or excavations are NOT permitted within 50 feet of any FirstEnergy structures (poles, towers, guys, etc.).
- Buildings, solar panels, lighting fixtures, signs, billboards, swimming pools, decks, flag posts, sheds, barns, garages, playgrounds, fences, equipment, trailers, materials or any other permanent or temporary objects are NOT permitted within the FirstEnergy transmission right-of-way. Other restrictions may apply under specific situations as defined by FirstEnergy.
- Protective barriers must be used for any driveway or parking area within 15 feet of any FirstEnergy structure (poles, towers, guys, etc).
- All vegetation on or adjacent to the FirstEnergy transmission right-of-way shall be low growing within the wire zone. The wire zone is defined as the area directly under the conductors which extends approximately 15 feet on each side. Vegetation that is 10-foot maximum mature height, 3-foot in NJ is under certain circumstances permissible on FirstEnergy transmission right of ways. It is preferred that the planting of any woody vegetation be done outside of the wire zone of FirstEnergy transmission

facilities and are not permitted to be closer than 10 feet in any direction from the FirstEnergy structure (poles, towers, guys, etc.). All approved shrubbery planted near FirstEnergy structures shall allow for working area and accessibility at ground level.

- Explosives or combustible liquids, substances, or materials are not permitted within the right-of-way. Prohibited materials included but are not limited to fuel, wood chips, mulch, brush, and tires.
- Septic systems leach beds and/ or wells are not permitted within a FirstEnergy transmission right-of-way.
- Kite flying, model airplane flying, or similar activities is strictly prohibited on or near a FirstEnergy transmission right-of-way.

### Exception Requests

Any requests for exceptions to this policy must be submitted at least 30 days in advance and requires written approval from FirstEnergy before construction begins. **To request an exception, you must complete the FirstEnergy's Real Estate/Right-of-Way Request Form**

Last Modified: September 25, 2013

**Village of Seville  
Parks Committee  
Superintendents Report**

Date: February 2014

**Monthly work report**

**status:**

**Scheduled cleanup:**

Trash pickup (Mon-Fri)

Completed

**Mowing:**

None

**landscaping & grounds maintenance:**

\*Plow & salt parking lots, walks & trails

Completed

\*Tree pruning

In Progress

**Equipment service:**

\*none

**Active park Projects:**

**Status:**

\*Playground equip. is starting to arrive

In progress

\*Playgrounds excavation area.

Planning Stage

\*Placement of playground equipment.

Planning Stage

\*Repair/maintenance picnic tables.

In Progress

\*Constructing a new park bleacher.

Completed

**Respectfully Submitted  
Jon Sobczak**