

Parks Committee Meeting Minutes – June 22,, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M.

Attending:

Sue Cox

Jim Lovejoy

Kathy Rhoads

Bonnie Gordon

Roger Kilgore

Jim Lovejoy, Chairman, opened the meeting by asking for the Supervisor's report. Jon read the report in its entirety. The only discussion was regarding Item 5. Eleven flats of flowers had been donated to the village via Karen Lucas by Carolyn Keiper. Jon was requesting help in getting them planted. Kathy thought the Girl Scouts would plant them ~~again~~, if not, she would attempt to get someone else to plant them. Jon suggested they be planted around all the trees and Gazebo as has been done in past years. Jim Lovejoy wanted some by the rock in Cy Hewitt if there were extras. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes and made a part thereof.

The next item was a request to approve the minutes from the meeting of May 25, 2011. A motion to approve as made by Roger Kilgore, second by Bonnie Gordon. They were unanimously approved.

Privilege of the Floor –

(1) - Barb Swartz questioned the lights being out in various parks that were supposed to light the flags throughout the village. Jon explained that some were solar powered battery packs and he was trying to get them fixed. He explained it would cost approximately \$400 to replace the units. Barb stated the rules for flying flags after dark were that they must be lighted. Jon questioned whether or not it would be possible to get volunteers to raise the flags and then take them down at dusk. Kathy suggested the VFW might be a possible solution.

(2) – Al Pippa, 102 Cedar Court suggested to the Committee that he would like to see Jon Sobczak receive an additional merit increase. He pointed out all of Jon's positive attributes including the money he had saved for the village, his open-mindedness to suggestions, etc.

At this time another discussion ensued with Jim, Dave Wyatt, Barb and Rick Stallard regarding the illumination of the flags.

Kathy pointed out that there was a broken board on the play gym and Cy Hewitt. That will be replaced with a piece of plywood. Also, a discussion was held as to whether there was to be a dedication of the flag pole at Memorial Park. This will be placed on the July agenda for further discussion.

New Business -

The Mayor gave a report relative to an ongoing communication (approximately a year and a half) with the Make-A-Wish Foundation relative to the possibility of getting a BMX bike trail in the village. She stated that Seth Rupp had been granted a wish and this was what he wanted. It was his wish to do something for the community – not just for him. Mayor Carter stated a representative from the Make-A-Wish Foundation would be at Village Hall on the following Monday at 2:00 p.m. to walk the area that might be a possible bike trail. She suggested anyone that might be available could do on this walk.

At this time Seth did a presentation relative to what he had in mind. He did not have anything on paper but all in his head. He stated it was his desire to see the trail with different skill levels. This would be a dirt course. For many years he and his buddies had been preparing and using a trail at the back of Cy Hewitt adjoining the cemetery property and abutting the Red Oak Park area. An open discussion involving Rick Stallard, the Mayor, Seth and his friend Devin McIntosh was held. The boys have very good ideas but a lot depends on the budget that Make-A-Wish would have. Al Pippa also commented that he commended Seth for thinking of something for the entire village.

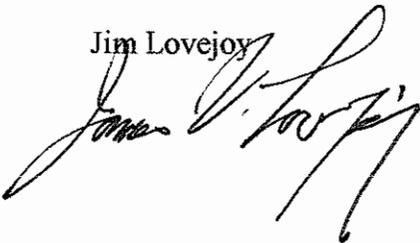
Jim asked if there was anything else to be discussed. Bonnie Gordon has a couple of things, 1) Now that the yard sales were over she wondered if it would be possible to have a link on the website for the Run for the Trails; and 2) she stated there was a big bump in front of the Methodist Church which affected the runners Jon stated this would be ground out, there had been problems there previously. It would be done mid summer, probably August. Jim then asked if there were any other comments from the Committee. Sue stated that she would like to follow up on Al Pippa's suggestion for a merit increase for Jon. She stated how impressed she was with what he had been asked to do, how he had taken two departments and merged them and the volume and quality of work he was getting from his people. She felt if there was money available, this should be done.

Jim Lovejoy then made a motion to adjourn the meeting; a second was made by Roger Kilgore. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

An audio tape of this meeting is available at Village Hall.

Respectfully submitted

Jim Lovejoy

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Lovejoy", written in a cursive style.

JUNE PARKS REPORT 2011

- 1. WE'VE MOWED ALL PARKS, TRAILS, LIBRARY, COUNCIL BUILDING & PARK MAINTAINED RIGHT OF WAYS ALONG WITH WEEDING ALL FLOWER BEDS AND MULCHING AS NECESSARY.**
- 2. WE PICK UP ALL DISCARDED TRASH AND DEBRIS DAILY IN OUR SEVILLE PARKS.**
- 3. WE REMOVED A LARGE TREE LIMB FROM THE TISHER BASEBALL FIELD THAT HAD COME DOWN IN THE MANY STORMS WE'VE HAD.**
- 4. WE HAD SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE PARKS WILDFLOWER SEEDS THAT WE HAD COLLECTED/WERE DONATED.**
- 5. WE'VE BEEN USING THE STREET SWEEPER ON OUR PARKS TRAILS.
(FYI: KAREN LUCAS DONATED ABOUT 11 FLATS OF PETUNIAS TO THE PARKS DEPARTMENT)**

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY
JON SOBCZAK**