

**VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE  
WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

**(Official Minutes)**

**Park Commission Monthly Meeting**

May 17, 2017

The Park Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Stan Livingston at 5:00 pm on Wednesday, May 17, 2017.

**Members Present:** Robin Nuzzo, Trustee Livingston, Sarah Lobdell, Jill Wegner, Mary Green

**Members Absent:** Sandra Hibbard, Gail Hibbard

**Also Present:** Clerk Theresa Loomer, Administrator Dennis Martin, DPW Manager Brett McCollum, Roger Stedronsky

**Approval of Minutes April 19, 2017**

Lobdell/Wegner 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to approve the minutes as submitted for the April 19, 2017 meeting, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

**Visitors Heard**

None

**Announcements**

None

**General Business**

**Park House Use**

The Park House was used one time in April, 2017.

**Treasurer's Report**

Livingston reported there is \$30,424.67 in the Park Commission account.

**Public Works Report**

McCollum stated the bridges in the Hildebrand Nature Conservancy have been repaired. The Memorial Tree Bricks have been ordered and public works will begin placing the bricks by the memorial trees.

**Old Business**

**Duck Pond Concession Stand Update**

Livingston reported that the donation solicitation letters sent out to local businesses last month have been well received. Several businesses in the area have made monetary donations to get the concessions up and running. Martin said operating funds allocated for the beach house will pay for the initial concessions.

**New Business**

**Pickle Ball/Tennis Courts Request for Duck Pond – Long Term Budget Goals**

A request was submitted by property owner Rodger Stedronsky to consider building pickle ball courts at Duck Pond. Stedronsky sent information to staff on pickle ball that was distributed to the Park Commission members. Stedronsky explained he spends half his time in Naples, Florida, where Pickleball has become a very popular sport and can be played on a tennis court which is then divided into four separate courts, or on courts specifically designed and built for pickle ball. It is reportedly the fastest growing sport and has become common with the older population, especially Baby Boomers. Martin stated that tennis courts have been on the Park Commission long-range planning list, and Sarah Lobdell stated that an outdoor basketball court also has been discussed in the past as a possible park addition. Staff was directed to identify possible locations for a hard-surfaced area to be developed somewhere at the Duck Pond that could be use for tennis

courts, pickle ball courts and/or basketball hoops; and to make a note to discuss the items later in the year during 2018 budget planning.

### **Sand Volleyball Court Planning for Duck Pond**

The area at Duck Pond recommendation for a sand volleyball court is on the right side of the driveway entrance to the yard waste and brush piles, across the main parking lot from the picnic area and playground. Martin said Street Dept. Lead Man Ron Adams and McCollum will mark the proposed area at the Duck Pond before proceeding. The same sand that is used at the beach will be used for the volleyball courts, and only new posts and a net will have to be purchased. Lobdell/Green 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to approve the Sand Volleyball court in the area adjacent to the compost pile as described, and direct McCollum to mark the area for the sand volleyball court and the area for the conceptualized Tennis or Pickle Ball Court, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

### **Memorial Bench and Tree Program Brochure Amendments**

The Memorial Bench and Tree Program Brochure has been updated to reflect the cost of the bench which is \$1,200 to \$1,400 per bench depending on the number of engraved boards. The tree program was updated to reflect the cost of the tree which is \$225 and the cost of the identification brick which is \$25.

### **Reid Park Landscaping and Tree Plan**

Balanced Environments, Inc. submitted a proposal to remove the nine dead and dying trees in Reid Park. They will be replaced with six maples, and the three evergreens, by the park sign area, will be replaced with a 22-foot Colorado Green Spruce which was chosen because it is not a species on the disease-warning list. The Park Commissioners also thought it could be used as the annual Village Christmas Tree. The landscape proposal presented in artist renderings submitted for the new Reid Park Pavilion was also favorably reviewed by the Park Commission members. Martin stated there is some money available for the tree planting project, but he will have to review the funding with the treasurer to make sure there is enough to allocate the \$20,000 for the tree replacement proposal.

Wegner/Lobdell 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to approve the Reid Park tree plan proposal as submitted by Balanced Environments, Inc., and to recommend approval of the landscaping plan around the new Reid Park Pavilion based on the proposed artist renderings, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

### **Park Permit Application Filed by Joyce Rice for Sunday, June 18, 2017 from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm at Duck Pond Pavilion**

Lobdell/Green 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to recommend Village Board approval of the park permit application filed by Joyce Rice for Sunday, June 18, 2017 from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm at Duck Pond Pavilion, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

### **Park Permit Application Filed by Mary Ann Sukys Kahl for Sunday, July 9, 2017 from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm at Reid Park Pavilion**

The application denotes the Reid Park Pavilion as the first choice and the Park House as the second choice. The applicant has also requested and paid for a beer/wine permit which is only permissible at the Park House. Loomer said she would call the applicant to discuss her options with the park rentals.

Lobdell/Wegner 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to recommend Village Board approval of the park permit application filed by Mary Ann Sukys Kahl for Sunday, July 9, 2017 from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm at Reid Park Pavilion, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

### **Park Permit Application Filed by Lisa Spedale for Kira Spedale Foundation for Walk Around the Lake Fundraiser on Sunday, July 23, 2017 from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm at Reid Park Pavilion**

The original application was approved at last month's meeting for July 2, 2017, however, the

applicant withdrew that application and has submitted an application for the same event on a new date.

Lobdell/Green 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to recommend Village Board approval of the park permit application filed by Lisa Spedale for the Kira Spedale Foundation for Walk Around the Lake Fundraiser on Sunday, July 23, 2017 from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm at Reid Park Pavilion, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

**Adjournment**

Lobdell/Wegner 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 5:37 pm, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by: Theresa Loomer, Village Clerk

Note: These minutes are subject to further editing. Once approved by the Park Commission, the official minutes will be kept on file at the Village Hall.

APPROVED: 6/21/17