

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

(Official Minutes)

Park Commission Monthly Meeting

October 14, 2015

The Park Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Tom Whowell at 6:22 pm on Wednesday, October 14, 2015.

Members Present: Trustee Whowell, Laura Coates, Lynne Frost, Gail Hibbard

Members Late: Sandra Hibbard, Sarah Lobdell

Member Absent: Mary Green

Also Present: Clerk Theresa Linneman, Administrator Dennis Martin, Trustee Rick Pappas

Approval of Minutes September 16, 2015

Hibbard/Lobdell 2nd made a MOTION to approve the minutes as submitted for the September 16, 2015 meeting, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Announcements

None

General Business

Park House Use

The Park House was used one time in September, 2015. The Big Foot Recreation Department moved the location of their fall activities to Big Foot High School. They will still hold some holiday events at the Park House.

Treasurer's Report

Lobdell reported there is \$18,203.35 in the Park Commission fund.

Plan Commission Report

The Plan Commission held a public hearing with the Joint Extraterritorial Zoning Committee to consider a petition to amend the zoning district and conditional use permit application filed by Fontana Holding Company for a parcel on Willow Bend Road in Walworth Township to authorize the construction of boat storage buildings. The proposal was favorably recommended by the Plan Commission and ETZ members and was passed at the October 13, 2015 Village Board meeting. Two public hearings were set for the October 26, 2015 Plan Commission meeting. The first public hearing is to consider reinstating a section of the old code which imposes a 30-day filing deadline to apply for a variance, and the second public hearing is to consider a property maintenance ordinance.

Old Business & Pet Projects

Summary from Tour of Pioneer Park, Reid Park, Fontana Beach, Fontana Fen, Oak Savanna Prairie & Duck Pond Recreation Area

Martin provided answers and possible solutions to the concerns noted in last month's minutes under the Tour of the Parks heading. The Park Commissioners discussed the options presented for future planning.

New Business

2016 Budget Planning

Martin met with Lobdell and Trustee Pappas earlier in the month for budget planning purposes. Pappas sat in for Trustee Whowell who was out of town. The 2016 Park Commission Budget Worksheet was distributed and discussion ensued. The only change made to the budget worksheet distributed was an additional line item for \$4,000 to the open space plan in the Contractual Expense category for Tom Vanderpoel's 5-Year Management Plan for the natural areas in

Fontana. Other topics discussed included saving to replace faded playground equipment in Little Foot Playground at Reid Park, the possibility of a sand volleyball court at the Duck Pond Recreation Area, local arborists that could be consulted to save on tree trimming costs, and the cost savings realized last year by having the DPW construct the holiday decorations for the street light poles instead of buy them.

Lobdell/Sandra Hibbard 2nd made a MOTION to approve the budget as proposed with the addition of the \$4,000 line item for the open space plan, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Any Other Comments/Concerns

Gail Hibbard announced the annual seed sowing event for the Oak Savanna will be taking place on Saturday, November 7, 2015 at 1:00 pm. Pizza and soda will be provided at Village Hall following the presentation of seed sowing instructions. She also asked about the possibility of putting up a sign for Roy Diblik in the Porter Court Plaza. The sign would be a small plaque that could be affixed to a garden rock, similar to the sign in Sam's Garden. Martin stated the bench for Bob Moravec's father is close to being completed and will be placed in its preapproved location by Lakefront Marine near the lakefront.

Adjournment

Gail Hibbard/Sandra Hibbard 2nd made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at about 7:11 pm, and the motion carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by: Theresa Linneman, 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: 11/18/2015