

VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE

PARK BOARD MEETING

January 14, 2020

ATTENDANCE: Mayor Hovey, Mark Lipan, Hank Gulich, Dann Nivens, Cynda Zuch, Debbie Steel, Shelly Jurkiewicz, Jim Newhouse, Beth Schluep, Sandy Barstow, Dave Barstow

Mayor Hovey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

He swore in Hank, Beth and Debbie.

He asked for nominations for Chairman. Hank was nominated and elected.

Hank asked for nominations for Co-Chair. Dave was nominated and elected.

November minutes: approved

Financial report: approved

REPORTS:

Chairman: Hank reported that the Shade Tree Commission is keeping tabs on the riparian zone. He said that Marcia Mandala is working on a memorial tree list. Hank said that he went through the Arboretum.

Recreation: Jim reported that he has already talked to two people so he said things are in the works for spring. Jim brought up the possibility of changing the meeting time to 6:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. Mayor Hovey checked the Village charter and said that the meeting time was not addressed. Beth made a motion to move the meeting time to 6:00 p.m. in February. The motion passed.

Arbor Day: Debbie reported that she will start working on the ceremony soon. A motion was made to dedicate the tree to Ryan Calderhead.

Arboretum: Hank reported that he was trying to locate memorial trees that are planted in the Arboretum.

Islands: Cynda said that she is in the process of getting the flower order ready. The order needs to be in by Jan. 27th to Urban Growers.

Trees: Beth reported that there are 813 street trees, 30 trees were planted, 8 trees were removed, 231 pruned, 82 pruned by the Village and 149 pruned by a contractor. Beth said that the riparian zone at this time is 70 feet. Residents need to go to the Planning Commission for permission to remove a tree. Beth reported that the Shade

Tree Commission is going to measure residents trees in 50 yards this summer. A letter will be sent to the homeowners involved. Beth read the letter aloud. Cynda pointed out that the letter does not state a purpose for the measuring. A line was added to the letter and the letter was approved.

Garden Club: Sandy reported that there is an organizational meeting in Feb. The first general meeting will be in March and the topic will be pollinators. Sandy said that there is a festival kick off meeting on the 23rd.

Special Projects: Dave said that he met and mapped out the walkway for the pergola. The plan is that it will originate at the fence line and go straight back. Several places have been discussed for planting pollinators, the Indian, the fence line or the wildflower area east of the arboretum. Sandy suggested plantings by the Indian. Dave said that may be a problem with bees by the ballfield. Dann said that he thinks the entrance need improvement. Shelley reported that she needs money. Cynda volunteered to get information from Blue Stone perennials. Cynda questioned maintenance of the plantings. Shelley said that she was hoping that the existing staff could do it. Cynda said that the staff is too busy to take care of additional areas. Beth suggested putting information on the web page and maybe getting some volunteers. Dann suggested court volunteers who are required to do community service. Mark said that there would be no one to supervise them. Jim said that he would volunteer to take care of the area around the Indian.

Council: Dann reported that he will not be at the Feb. and March meeting. He said that he thinks the outside of the school needs improvement. Mayor Hovey said that was the school boards responsibility.

Service Department: Mark reported that the leaves in the back are gone and firewood split. Mark said that Rogue Tree will be doing out tree trimming. He said that \$10,000 has been approved for the basketball court but he needs \$3,600 more. He plans to do the tennis courts next year.

New/Old The Mayor reported that 4 deer have been killed. He said that they have been spending time in back yards during the day and going out at night to feed. Feb. 1st is the end of culling for this year. Mayor Hovey said that accident reports involving deer have been cut in half. Mark thanked Hank for doing the signs, said that they look good.

Adjourned: 8:17 p.m.

Next meeting: Feb. 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.