

VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE

PARK BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 12, 2021

ATTENDANCE: Mark Lipan, Hank Gulich, Debbie Steel, Jim Newhouse, Beth Schlupe, Bob Barsan, Bernie Hovey, Cynda Zuch, Shelley Jurkiewicz, Dann Nivens

Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He said that we needed to elect a chairperson and co-chair.

Hank was nominated and elected.

Shelley volunteered to serve as co-chair. She was voted on and elected.

Minutes: approved

Financial: approved

REPORTS:

Chairman: Shelley asked about incoming funds. Hank reported that the Festival committee is communicating. He said that there is a meeting Thursday morning. Mayor said that he had two concerns. If we have a Festival, will people come and will we be able to get volunteers. Beth said that we should recruit younger residents. Mayor reported that he will not be doing a State of the Village live speech and instead will do a written report.

Recreation: Jim reported that nothing is going on. He did get one phone call about a reservation for this summer.

Arbor Day: Debbie reported that she did not think that she could do the celebration in the school this year because of COVID-19. Debbie reported that she would like to have a tree dedication for Ryan Calderhead. Beth said that she would work with Debbie on a ceremony.

Arboretum: Hank reported that he walks through once a week and said that everything is in good shape.

Islands: Cynda reported that the Christmas pots are frozen so will have to remain for a while. She said that she is working with Urban Growers for the plants this summer. Cynda said that there was no Garden Club report.

Trees: Beth reported that the Shade Tree Commission will meet Feb. 4th. at 1:00 p.m. in Village Hall. She said that they are working on fine tuning their goals. Bob Henry is a new member. The Commission will be working on educating homeowners.

Garden Club: No report.

Special Projects: Shelley reported that there will be a plant sale this spring. She was wondering about improving the meadow area. Contacting the Boy Scouts was suggested.

Council: Dann reported that they are working on the budget. Dann said that there has been some interest in freight on the tracks by Vincent. He said that Council and the Mayor are against it and would like to see a hike and bike trail.

Service Department: Mark reported that he received bids for winter pruning. They ranged from \$8,000 to \$28,000. Hercules Services will be doing the pruning. Mark suggested incorporating the water study and shade tree information. Beth said that Paul will contact Mark. Mark reported that he lost an employee right before Christmas. Mark reported that he would be getting a new pick-up truck and one dump truck is going to be traded in. Mark said that they are picking up Christmas trees. He said that Council approved funds for redoing the tennis courts this summer and Beth will be getting a budget. Mark reported that three leaf workers quit right after the last meeting.

New/Old: None

Adjourned: 6:56 p.m.

Next meeting: February 9, 2021