

VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE

PARK BOARD MEETING

MAY 11, 2021

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

Hank called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes: Corrections for April are that Bob Barsan noted in his report it should say Marcia Mandala Trail and in Shelley's report it should state flower species. In Beth's report it referred to a Silver Lake publication, it should say Neighbors of Silver Lake and Northampton which is the name of the publication.

Financial: Approved

REPORTS:

Hank recognized Mayor Hovey. Bernie said that there was a request to hold Doggie Olympics on the back field. He denied the request for various reasons. He said that he and Kathy are going to be on the cover of Neighbors of Silver Lake and Northampton. He said the man in charge of the magazine is looking for people to feature.

Chairman: Hank reported that Ben did an Arbor Day program for the pre-school students at the Church in Silver Lake. Hank said that he passed out a tree to each student.

Recreation: Jim reported that many children are involved in the softball program. He said that some children are playing baseball on Monday nights. The schedule for the field is set. Jim said that there have been requests for more light on the tennis and basketball courts.

Arbor Day: Debbie reported that the ceremony is scheduled for Monday May 24th at 1:00 p.m. It will take place on Overlook in front of the Cook's house. The tree will be dedicated to Ryan Calderhead. Debbie encouraged everyone to attend.

Arboretum: Hank reported that it is dry enough to walk through the Arboretum. He said that the dandelions are under control. Hank said that there will be a tree planted this spring.

Islands: Cynda reported that the flowers are ordered and will be delivered May 19th. She said the islands are prepared.

Trees: Beth reported that the Tree Commission is meeting this Thursday in the Arboretum. She reported that there will be a meet and greet in the Arboretum on June 5th. Beth reported that there is an article in the recent Neighbors of Silver Lake and Northampton magazine. It is on page 5 and is titled A Walk About to Talk About Trees with Paul Theiss.

Garden Club: Cynda reported that Garden Club will meet Monday at 1:00 p.m. at the church. She said that the festival has been cancelled.

Special Projects: Bob reported that Fenwick Park looks great. He is still waiting on the floor of the pergola and is still talking to Paul Testa. Bob reported that there are 3 new signs on Marcia Mandala Trail and some signs have been relocated. There are plans to take out some invasive plants.

Village Garden & Pollinator Committee: Shelley reported that she is working to put in some beds on the Marcia Mandala Trail. The Service Dept. is helping. Shelley said that these plants will help to protect the river. They are going to do some tree planting in the fall. Shelley said that unleashed dogs on the trail are a problem and more signs will be put up about leashing your dog. Shelley is also concerned about yard waste being dumped since it could introduce invasive plants.

Council: No report.

Service Department: Mark reported that sewer relining has taken place on Harriett. He said that there was a broken sewer line on Silver Lake Blvd. and water line problem on Silverview. Mark said that he has not heard about the resurfacing of the tennis courts. He is planning to mulch in the Arboretum. Jim asked about raking the ballfield. Mark said that it is raked daily.

New/Old: none

Adjourn: 6:52 p.m.

Next meeting: June 8, 2021