

VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE

PARK BOARD MEETING

September 14, 2021

ATTENDANCE: Mark Lipan, Debbie Steel, Bob Barsan, Shelley Jurkiewicz, Dann Nivens, Bernie Hovey, Jim Newhouse, Beth Schluep

Meeting called to order at 6:01 p.m.

Minutes: approved

Financial: approved

REPORTS:

Chairman: Shelley reported that there has been an effort to inventory the Arboretum. Brad Mc Bride tagged all the trees with Ben's help. 12 trees have tags that are incorrect, 8 trees are in poor condition. There are 112 trees in all 12 are crab apple.

Recreation: Jim reported that everything is running smoothly and everyone seems pleased with the condition of the courts. Jim said that the conflict is resolved between tennis and pickle ball players.

Arbor Day: Debbie reported that she will be working on the Tree City application which is due in Dec. She had everyone record their information which is required for the application.

Arboretum: See Chairman report.

Islands: No report.

Trees: Beth reported that they are doing inventory on zone 1 Athens Road and Highland Drive. Beth said that Brad McBride is going to do a workshop on proper pruning techniques. Beth advised that dyed mulch should be avoided. Beth said that Cynda gave a canopy report. The Memorial book is almost done. Beth reported that she will be resigning from Park Board and Tree Commission at the end of the year.

Garden Club: No report.

Special Projects: Bob reported that he had sprayed the Marcia Mandala trail again and he has more signs to put in. Jim complimented Bob on the job he did on the poison ivy. Beth mentioned the flooding, but it was concluded that not much could be done. There was a discussion on thank you notes for money for memorial trees. It was decided that we needed a policy on thank you notes. The Mayor said that the Village would pay the postage for these notes.

Village Garden & Pollinator Committee: Shelley reported that there are monarch caterpillars galore in the milkweed by the Indian statue. Shelley reported that we have 12 trees from Summit County that will go in the back this fall.

Council: No report.

Service Department: Mark reported that the Service Dept. is doing crack sealing and has stained the pergola. Mark said that Fall clean-up is Oct. 25 through Dec 5. Mark reported that Paul Testa donated stones for the pergola and also the fountain that was on the property where his son is building.

New/Old: There was discussion about terms for Park Board and Tree Commission. We will have 2 vacancies on Park Board at the end of the year. It was suggested that Brad McBride be asked to join Park Board. There was also discussion about adding benches to the list of possible memorials. Mark said that he has plans for benches this winter. It was asked if fees should be revised. Mark said that the fee for trees is sufficient.

Adjourn: 6:57 p.m.

Next meeting: October 12, 2021