



Village of Spring Lake
Parks & Rec Committee
Monday, February 5, 2018
7:00 p.m.
102 West Savidge Street (EOC Room)
Minutes

Darcy **Dye** was sworn in as a member of the Parks and Recreation Board. **Dye** replaces Board member Cal Braun, who resigned his seat in January.

I. Call to Order

Roll Call: Curt Brower (Chair), Claire Groenevelt (Vice Chair), George Barfield, Darcy Dye, Erik Poel and Lee Schuitema.

Absent: Megan Doss (Village Liaison)

Also Present: Chris Burns, Village Manager, and Maryann Fonkert (Deputy Clerk)

II. Approval of the Agenda: Motion by **Schuitema**, second from **Poel**, to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Yes: 6 No: 0

III. Approval of the Minutes: Motion by **Schuitema**, second from **Barfield**, to approve the Minutes from the November 6, 2017 regular meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Yes: 6 No: 0

IV. Finance Report: **Burns** went over the finance report with the **Board** and shared that **Doss** had donated \$1,000 to the Beautification Committee for **Dye** to work on landscaping at Whistle Stop Playground. **Burns** also reported that she, Marv Hinga and one other person made year-end donations to Whistle Stop. **Burns** said that they had just received the \$250 check from Consumer's Energy for Erik Poel's volunteer hours as well.

Motion by **Barfield**, second from **Schuitema**, to approve the finance report. All in favor, motion carried.

Yes: 6 No: 0

V. Park Updates

- **Beautification Update:** **Burns** reported that she and **Dye** had met to discuss the Beautification Committee and they would be meeting on March 26th with the DPW to make sure they were moving in the right direction.
- **Central Park:** **Burns** reported that the Rotary Snow Jam would be held at Central Park on Saturday, and hopefully the ice rink would be up and running.

- **Whistle Stop: Burns** shared that the sign and benches had been delivered and would be installed in the spring and **Dye** would be working on landscaping with the \$1,000 donation from **Doss**.
- **Pocket Park: Burns** shared that there would be major demolition with the VanKampen development in this block of Savidge Street and the Pocket Park, in the middle of the block, with new landscaping done by the Beautification Committee would be in jeopardy. **Dye** asked to be kept abreast of the demolition schedule so could get a group of volunteers together to rescue the plants. **Burns** said that she would and, that this would be an 18 to 24-month project so the Village was planning on 2 summers of chaos in this block.

VI. Miscellaneous

The **Board** discussed the proposed new developments in the Village.

VII. Tree Board Meeting

1. **Arbor Day Celebration** – **Burns** explained that Arbor Day was on Friday, April 27th and was looking for ideas to promote awareness. **Groenevelt** asked about partnering with the library again. **Dye** suggested having kids write poems. The **Board** thought that poems were a great idea that could be done with the library’s help. **Burns** asked **Dye** if she would partner with Groenevelt to coordinate this event. **Dye** said her plate was full right now with the Adopt-A-Garden program, but she would sign on to do that next year.

2. **Miscellaneous** – There was nothing to discuss at this time.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion by **Barfield**, second from **Poel**, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Yes: 6 No: 0

Curt Brower, Chair

Maryann Fonkert, Deputy Clerk