



**Village of Spring Lake
Parks & Rec Committee
Monday, July 2, 2018
7:00 p.m.**

102 West Savidge Street (EOC Room)

I. Call to Order

Roll Call:), Curt Brower (Chair), Claire Groenevelt (Vice Chair) (7:02pm), George Barfield, Darcy Dye, Erik Poel, Lee Schuitema and Susan Petrus (Village Council Liaison).

Absent: None

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

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

Yes: 5 No: 0

III. Approval of the Minutes: Motion by **Schuitema**, second from **Barfield**, to approve the Minutes from the June 4, 2018 regular meeting with typographic correction. All in favor, motion carried.

Yes: 5 No: 0

IV. Finance Report: Burns reported that all was looking good at the year-end and Hinga would be entering the final numbers would be entered after payroll.

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

Yes: 6 No: 0

V. Eagle Scout Project (Isaiah Visker) – Burns introduced Isaiah Visker and said she had not seen this project so she would not be able to offer any input. Isaiah Visker proposed upgrading the beach at the end of Division Street. Visker said that the upgrading would include weeding, shoveling out old sand and dirt, and adding riprap to keep the beach from eroding in the future. **Burns** asked if Visker had a budget established. Visker said he had a price for the riprap and thought his project would cost about \$100. **Dye** explained the outline of the steps she takes and research she does before she brings a proposal for an Adopt-A-Garden project to the Village to give him a guideline to follow. **Burns** shared what is expected from an Eagle Scout project. **Schuitema** mentioned that there would be DEQ and Army Corp of Engineer regulations to check into. **Dye** said she would

like to see Visker do more research on the guidelines for watershed program. The **Board** agreed that Visker needed to do more research and homework and written proposal before his project could be approved.

VI. **Park Updates**

- **Central Park – Bike Week! (August 20-25) – Burns** shared details of Bike Week events. **Burns** reported that the AED purchased by the Lakeshore Pickleball Club was broken so they were paying to have it replaced. **Burns** said the original one did not match the other Village owned AED's so the new one would be the same so they were standardized.
- **Lakeside Beach – Burns** reported that the lights were ordered and the hope was that they would be installed before Bike Week.
- **Lakeside Trail – Lighting, Handrail, Trespass – Burns** reported that the railing down by Old Boy's was ordered and should be received in the next couple of weeks and that new signs had been installed to limit mooring time to 3 hours maximum after an issue with a boat being moored for more than 3 days. **Burns** reported that there was a trespassing issue behind the Alden Place Condo's where steps and landscaping had been installed along with trimming the trees to open up a view of the lake. **Burns** shared that Council had said people cannot decide to landscape on any Village park.
- **Mill Point Park – Parking Lot - Burns** reported that there had been a complaint regarding standing water in the parking lot and the reason was due to the high-water table and standing water in the truck well.
- **Whistle Stop Playground – Gardens, Compliant, & Marketing – Burns** reported that a neighbor of the park had several complaints but most were unfounded or not really park related. **Dye** said she has spoken to the neighbor several times and wondered if they could fence off a section off his little garden so the children couldn't get on his property and pick his flowers. **Burns** said that Little Tykes asked to use Whistle Stop for their marketing catalog and would be taking photos. **Dye** reported that she had wonderful volunteers but was having issues with rabbits and children eating/plucking flowers at the Whistle Stop playground and would like to get that garden fenced.
- **Lakeside Beach – Burns** reported that the beach had been very busy and they needed to paint the curb next to the lift station, hoping to deter people from parking there, but that has not worked so they are going to have to paint parking spaces.

VII. Miscellaneous – Burns reported that the lights at the rink needed the timing reset and that Mrs. Langland, Chief Langland's widow, was upset that the banners at Rotary Driver were not anymore. Burns said that banners usually only last about 3 years and she had asked Mrs. Langland if she was interested in raising funds to pay for new banners but she was not. The **Board** agreed that the budget did not allow to purchase banners every 3 years. The Board also discussed making sure the wayfinding sign had Langland Field.

VIII. **Tree Board Meeting**

1. **Oak Tree – (Community Engagement) – Burns** explained that they were heavily advertising the Oak Tree Community Engagement and that post cards had been sent to everyone that spoke at the tree public hearing 3 years ago. **Burns** shared that she, Mark Powers, Michelle Hanks, Darcy Dye and Michael Duer attended the last school board meeting and it was a very challenging meeting to sit through. **Burns** said that the school was not interested in helping with the tree in any way and was not interested in any kind of memorial type carving. **Burns** said that she had offered to plant trees on the school’s property but they do not what that either.
2. **Tree Nursery – Burns** said the tree nursery was doing very well and they were still waiting on have the plaque installed on the rock. Burns said the engraving was do though and as soon as that was done there would be a small get-together with the Verplank family.
3. **Miscellaneous – Burns** shared that a large tree limb had come down on the corner of Mason and Park. **Burns** said the tree itself looked very healthy but the base of the limb that came down was rotted and hollow but yet did not have any dieback and looked healthy. **Poel** asked to have a tree looked at on the corner of Meridian and Ann. The **Board** discussed other tree concerns.

IX. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, motion by **Poel**, second from **Schuitema**, the meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Curt Brower, Chair

Maryann Fonkert, Deputy Clerk