

Brookville Board of Park Trustees  
Regular Meeting  
July 9, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Brookville Board of Park Trustees was called to order by President Cordes at 7:30 p.m. on July 9, 2019 in the City Council Chambers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Trustees Haney, Music and Vance; Clerk Wheeler, Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton and Council Liaison Fowler were present.

Motion by Haney, second by Vance to approve the Agenda as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Music, second by Vance to approve the June 11, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Kevin O'Boyle, on behalf of the Cruise the Gate Car Show Board, thanked the City and the Park Board for allowing them to hold the event. He informed the event had a record turnout of 140 cars registered and raised just under \$5,000 this year for Special Wish. He informed the funds raised this year were for a girl in Middleton, Ohio who's wish was for a Corgi puppy to train as a therapy dog so she could take it to help others. He stated there has been preliminary discussion for next year to hold the show in the evening in order to try to beat the heat. He stated the Board will try to decide as soon as possible in order to reserve a shelter and the park for next year. He suggested an evening time might even draw more people.

President Cordes stated Park Board needs to consider where the event could be expanded to in the park, in case there are even more cars next year.

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton reported the pedestrian bridge at Golden Gate Park is now open and has been inspected by Montgomery County. She informed the painting is to be finished up soon and an order has been placed for a channel threshold ramp that will cover the gap on the bridge so that wheelchairs will be go able to go over the bridge.

President Cordes asked if the bridge will be finished by the Community Picnic?

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton stated yes the bridge should be all finished by the Picnic. She informed two bronze plaques have been ordered for each side of the bridge, but will not be ready by the picnic.

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton informed the volleyball area was sprayed for weeds, it will be tilled soon and more sand will be added.

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton informed she attended the Play Scapes Workshop and was a little disappointed because it seemed to be geared more towards teachers. She stated she is still reviewing swings and play equipment for Ward Park. She stated six swings would cost approximately \$2,500. She will continue to look into ideas and prices. She informed she did follow up with Roger Hoover of the Brookville Optimist Club on doing repair work at the parks. She informed the Optimist Club has been helping with work on the pedestrian bridge and they do plan to help paint the open air shelters at Golden Gate Park in the fall.

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton informed the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application process has been put on hold since the tornados. She reminded our CDBG application would have been for the walking path at Golden Gate Park. She stated she will keep Park Board posted. She stated because the CDBG Program is a federal program, some of the funds could be shifted to other programs to help with disaster relief.

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton reported Park permits were up \$3,557 year to date.

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton informed the Service Department has been trimming the trees between the creek and the pond at Golden Gate Park.

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton reminded the Community Picnic will be July 25-27 and fireworks will be on Saturday, the 27th at 10:00 p.m.

Trustee Haney stated it looks like trees were also trimmed near the exit of Golden Gate Park.

Trustee Haney asked if the City will pay for any of the repairs needed on the open air shelters?

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton stated the City will pay to maintain the buildings. She informed some funds have recently been donated to help cover the costs for some of the repairs needed at those buildings.

President Cordes suggested doing the work on the open air shelters in the fall when it is not so hot. She stated maybe a work day could be scheduled and various service groups could be included.

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton informed there is a Cross County meet normally scheduled in September each year, so they would want to avoid that weekend if a work day is scheduled.

Trustee Vance asked if the Leiber Center has been painted yet on the inside? She stated she knows the roof was done, but wondered about the inside.

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton informed the inside has not been painted, quotes have been obtained, but the roof took precedence. She informed painting the inside will need to be a winter time project.

President Cordes asked if the second net was back up yet on the tennis courts?

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton informed yes.

Trustee Haney stated people are really using the tennis courts, which is great.

President Cordes informed Stephan Bridenbaugh of Montgomery County Soil and Water had suggested to her that he might be able to have some trees donated to the parks.

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton stated the Service Department is trying to get three more dead trees down in the park before the Community Picnic.

Trustee Haney had no report.

Trustee Vance informed she will be getting with the teacher soon of the multi-age group at the school to discuss a date to hold an event at Ward Park. She also reminded the 20th Anniversary of the castle playground will be next year. She suggested having some type of event to celebrate.

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton stated the castle playground needs stained.

Trustee Vance suggested a community day to work on it and maybe even have food similar to the Annual Park Cleanup.

Trustee Music stated the steeples also need painted.

Trustee Vance stated she thought it would be neat to do something to celebrate the playground.

Trustee Music informed the pedestrian bridge is set to be painted tomorrow night.

Trustee Music stated the park is very busy in the evenings, every night and it's fantastic.

President Cordes stated she has received so many compliments on the Grove.

Trustee Music stated there are trash cans at the Grove now also.

President Cordes stated she is glad the inspection on the pedestrian bridge went well.

Trustee Haney stated all of the parks look great, the Service Department is doing a great job at keeping up with the mowing.

President Cordes asked the time frame of when the Wal-Mart grant application was submitted last year?

Acting City Manager/Finance Director Keaton informed the grant application was submitted in November last year.

President Cordes suggested at next month's Park Board Meeting, beginning the discussion for plans on the Christmas in the Park Event. She stated she liked the idea of the businesses sponsoring a tree in the park to decorate, but is concerned on how to protect them at night.

Trustee Vance asked if Christmas in the Park is still scheduled for December 13?

President Cordes stated yes. She informed she will be confirming soon for the use of the school buses again.

Trustee Music stated he thought the school buses were only used last year because the pedestrian bridge was closed?

President Cordes stated her concern is even though the bridge is ok this year, if it rains or is muddy, the mess will then get tracked into the Community Theatre.

There was no Old Business.

There was no New Business.

Motion by Haney, second by Vance to adjourn. All yeas, motion carried.

  
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Meghan Wheeler, Clerk  
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Bonnie Cordes, President