

Brookville Board of Park Trustees
Regular Meeting
December 14, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Brookville Board of Park Trustees was called to order by President Haney at 7:30 p.m. on December 14, 2021 in the City Council Chambers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Trustees Blevins and Cordes and Manager Keaton were present. Trustee Vance, Council Liaison Fowler and Clerk Duncan were absent.

Roll call by President Haney.

Motion by Cordes, second by Blevins to adopt the Agenda with an amendment that Denise Reim will not be present. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Blevins, second by Cordes to approve the November 9, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Manager Keaton reported Park Permits are up \$23,241 and donations are up \$20,549. We received a \$500 donation from the Brookville Corvette Club.

Manager Keaton reported the kickoff of the Christmas in the Park lighting display was a huge success. Manager Keaton thanked Park Board for their vision and tireless work on this event. Manager Keaton also thanked the Walmart Foundation for providing Community Grant assistance that has allowed us to build upon our light display, Cub Scout Troop 47 for their grand display this year, the various groups that installed displays, her husband Ray for assisting Park Board with setting up their displays, JD Fowler and Angie Dull for their assistance in handing out goody bags and collecting donations, Don Cordes for his donation and conducting the children's Christmas play, to our Service Department for their help setting up lights, and to all the people that drove through Golden Gate Park the evening of December 3 and donated funds to better this project. We received \$691.16 in donations.

Manager Keaton advised she received a few suggestions following the opening night of Christmas in the Park that she would like to share with Park Board:

- A sign near the entrance asking people to turn off their headlights.
- Lights for donation boxes
- Clickers for counting cars. We forgot to do that the last two years. Chamber has a clicker that we could use.
- Dog treats

Manager Keaton stated she does not have the final tally of expenditures for Christmas in the Park. She should have that by the next meeting.

Manager Keaton reported the Adult Softball program showed a profit of \$2,683 for 2021.

Manager Keaton wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy, and safe 2022!

Trustee Blevins had no report.

Trustee Cordes stated there was a lot of help with the Christmas in the Park event. If it is going to continue to grow, we are going to have several people who are responsible for checking on the displays and can fix any issues. Member Cordes stated she does not know how to fix an inflatable decoration that won't blow up or won't stay upright. Member Cordes suggested we do a better job scheduling so that we have people available to help.

Discussion followed regarding setting a schedule and planning ahead so that there are capable maintenance workers or other individuals available to help the groups with any needs they might have while setting up their displays.

Member Cordes commented it is difficult to set the light timers.

Discussion followed regarding the variety of timers available and making sure everyone uses the same type of timer to make it easier on everyone.

Member Cordes stated the kids who attended the play seemed to enjoy it but the attendance was down. Member Cordes suggested we have a separate flyer for the play next year.

Discussion followed regarding promoting the play to increase attendance.

President Haney advised she would like to continue to expand the displays each year. She would like to see lights on the Castle Playground, wreaths on the entrance and exit gates, and the shelters on the other side of the park decorated. The problem is there is no electric on that side of the park.

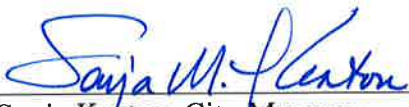
Manager Keaton commented we could decorate the exterior fence as well.

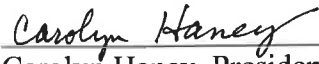
President Haney stated if we continue to expand the event we need to bring in another group or get more volunteers to help. It is just too much for four Park Board Members. President Haney commented that Pack 47 did a fabulous job on their display and they keep watch on their display to make sure it stays in tact. President Haney commented they bought commercial grade lights which are so much brighter.

Discussion followed regarding the various light displays put up by the groups and how nice they look.

President Haney stated overall she was very pleased with the kick-off event and the displays and thanked everyone who helped to make it a success.

Motion by Cordes, second by Blevins to adjourn. All yeas, motion carried.


Sonja Keaton, City Manager


Carolyn Haney, President