

Brookville Board of Park Trustees
Regular Meeting
March 8, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Brookville Board of Park Trustees was called to order by President Blevins at 7:30 p.m. on March 8, 2022 in the City Council Chambers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Trustees Cordes, Haney and Vance; Council Liaison Fowler and Manager Keaton were present. Clerk Duncan was absent.

Roll call by President Blevins.

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

Motion by Cordes, second by Vance to approve the February 8, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Ann Stammen, Brookville Baseball Club President, updated Park Board on the upcoming BBC season. There are 375 kids registered for 34 teams, which is 40 more kids than last year. They have more team sponsor offers than there are teams. Opening day has been moved up to April 30, in an effort to complete the tournament games prior to the Fourth of July weekend.

Ms. Stammen reported Adam Friedlander is installing coverings on dugouts #7 and #8 and should be finished before the season starts. The pitching machine should be installed this year, but it may be fall before it is complete.

Ms. Stammen advised she has been contacted by Brookville Schools, regarding a community day, where Brookville alumni will partner with the high school seniors to complete various maintenance tasks at the park. Some ideas are painting the gazebo and completing the staining at the playground.

Manager Keaton reported Park Permits are up \$2,545 and donations are up \$15,250 compared to February 2021. Manager Keaton reported we have received two donations since the last Park Board meeting. A \$1,000 donation from Don Cordes to be used toward the Christmas in the Park play and any items needed for the event. We also received a \$100 donation from AA for the use of the Leiber Center for their weekly meetings.

Manager Keaton reported the Adult Softball Program will begin playing on Diamond #1 and #2 beginning Sunday, April 24. League meetings will be held the week of April 17.

Manager Keaton reported she entered into a Lease Agreement with Jessica Mullins to run the Diamond #1 Concession Stand for the Adult Softball Program.

Manager Keaton reported she received word from Ryan Clemmons that he chose a spot in Westbrook Park and will be installing the Gaga Pit on March 25 and 26. The Service Department skimmed the dirt and leveled the area last week. Pictures were provided showing the gaga pit will be located east of the existing playground.

Manager Keaton reported the Solid Waste Recycling Grant for rubber mulch submitted last fall was approved. The Service Department has already placed the mulch at the playgrounds in order to be ready for children with the approaching warm weather.

Manager Keaton reminded everyone of our Park Cleanup Day scheduled for Saturday, April 2 from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Hot dogs and refreshments will be served in Shelter #3 following the cleanup. Manager Keaton stated the parks are full of downed tree limbs due to the rain, ice and wind over the last few months. Manager Keaton asked if Park Board would like to set a rain date in case of inclement weather?

The consensus was to set a rain date for the Park Cleanup Day on April 9 at 10:00 a.m.

Manager Keaton advised the Optimist Adult Egg Scramble will be held at Golden Gate Park this Saturday.

President Blevins commented Park Board discussed the gaga pit going in at Ward Park.

Manager Keaton replied in Ryan Clemmons' presentation, he chose to place it at Westbrook Park, due to the amount of kids there. Scout Clemmons advised he raised enough money to contribute approximately \$500 toward a gaga pit in Ward Park. This could possibly be a scout project in 2023.

Trustee Cordes asked if Park Board could come to the VFW following the Adult Egg Scramble to sell 50/50 raffle tickets?

Park Board Trustees indicated they will attend.

Trustee Haney stated it has been nice to see so many kids at the park playgrounds recently.

Tursteer Cordes stated the sorority inquired about helping to stain the Castle Playground.

Manager Keaton advised the interior of the playground needs to be stained. She has had conversations with the Brookville Alumni Society about making this a senior/alumni project this year. They had discussed doing this in May. Manager Keaton advised she will let Trustee Cordes know the date if this project moves forward.

Park Liaison Fowler commented he would love to see a sidewalk installed between the concession stand and the nearby shelter that is utilized by many mothers with their children for the shade.

Manager Keaton replied she will look into sidewalks for a CDBG grant. She is looking for more community service type projects for the high school seniors.

Trustee Vance had no report.

President Blevins had no report but inquired whether there are any updates to upgrading the electric at Golden Gate Park for the Christmas in the Park event?

Trustee Haney replied she may have an update soon.

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



Sonja Keaton, Manager



Adam Blevins, President

