

Brookville Board of Park Trustees
Regular Meeting
June 14, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Brookville Board of Park Trustees was called to order by President Blevins at 7:30 p.m. on June 14, 2022 in the City Council Chambers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Trustees Cordes, Haney and Vance; Council Liaison Fowler, Manager Keaton and Clerk Duncan were present.

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 May 10, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Diana Slade, of 545 E. Upper Lewisburg Salem Road, introduced herself as the new Park Caretaker for Golden Gate Park.

Manager Keaton requested Park Board formally accept Diana Slade as the Caretaker for Golden Gate Park.

Motion by Haney, second by Cordes to accept the contract signed by Manager Keaton and President Blevins to hire Diana Slade as the Caretaker for Golden Gate Park, effective May 17, 2022. All yeas, motion carried.

Manager Keaton reported Park Permits are up \$3,832 and donations are up \$19,332 compared to May of 2021. League fees from the Adult Softball Program are down \$3,980 from this same time last year. Manager Keaton advised we frequently go through changes with the softball leagues, and it is likely the number of teams will go back up next year.

Manager Keaton reported the weather is still delaying the conversion of the tennis courts into pickleball courts at Westbrook Park. Hopefully, the project will be wrapped up this week.

Manager Keaton reported Chase Electric will begin the electric extension project at Golden Gate Park later this week or early next week.

Manager Keaton reported last night's storm brought down a lot of trees in all of our parks. The Service Department started early this morning and got it all cleaned up by lunchtime.

Trustee Haney asked if the depression caused by the installation of the basketball courts at Ward Park will be filled in? It is currently filled with standing water.

Manager Keaton replied the depression will be filled in with topsoil left over from another project and then seeded.

Member Fowler, Council Liaison, asked if the low-lying spot-on Field 1 at Westbrook Park has been filled in?

Manager Keaton advised Park Board that the City split the cost with Brookville Soccer Association to have Avco Enterprises install drainage tile on Field 1 at Westbrook Park. This project has been completed.

Trustee Haney had no report.

Trustee Cordes advised the materials for the renovation of the old BMX building have been purchased by the Optimist Club and the project should start soon.

Trustee Cordes reported the Delta Theta Tau Sorority would like to purchase swings for Ward Park if the City can find some that are affordable. Member Cordes stated the sorority would like swings that adults can use. The belt swings are not comfortable for adults.

Manager Keaton commented she will keep looking, but the swings in our parks must be commercial, which makes them expensive. She will look to see if it is more affordable to purchase a whole swing set with two swings.

Trustee Vance stated she was asked by a citizen if the City had ever considered adding a splash pad in one of our parks.

Manager Keaton replied it has been researched and priced in the past. The number one drawback is that our water is purchased from the City of Dayton, and it is costly. If we were to install the reclamation type splash pad, we have to consider Covid. Manager Keaton stated we would also have to find a location, and there is no space at Golden Gate Park. Manager Keaton stated she is currently looking to install more parking at Golden Gate Park as we do not have enough spaces to accommodate sports game patrons. Manager Keaton stated she can revisit installing a splash pad when we have more money in the budget.

Trustee Haney commented a splash pad would be an ongoing expense.

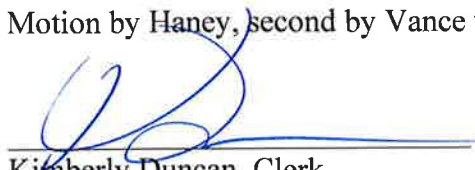
Manager Keaton stated we also have to consider the amount of vandalism we have in the parks.

President Blevins thanked Member Cordes for organizing the Work Session at the storage building and stated he is excited about the renovation of that building.

Member Fowler, Council Liaison, asked if shelves will be installed in the storage building?

Trustee Cordes stated they will be installing some donated shelving.

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



Kimberly Duncan, Clerk



Adam Blevins, President