Coe Memorial Park Committee

Minutes: August 3, 2022

Present: Marc Trivella, Mima Zbell, Mark McEachern, Kathy Renzullo, Effie Mwando

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM

MOTION: A motion was made by Mima Zbell and seconded by Mark McEachern to approve the minutes of July 2, 2022. The motion carried unanimously

Marc Trivella reported that we are awaiting a proposal from Mike Zaharek that will cover conifer planting near the Cook Street property line and tree work on the east side of the Civic Center.

The City’s facilities manager is working on a proposal to improve the electrical grid in the park.

The committee is hopeful that the work may be completed before the holiday season with its additional lighting needs

MOTION: A motion was made by Mima Zbell and seconded by Kathy Renzullo to investigate the re-location of the above ground electrical panel along Litchfield Street as part of the electrical upgrades to the park. The motion carried unanimously

Mark Trivella agreed to contact Brett Simmons about the lamp post replacement and the schedule for the electrical work

The committee discussed Mike Zaherek’s suggestion for a new Christmas tree in the park

MOTION: A motion was made by Katy Renzullo and seconded by Effie Mwando to approve

Mike Zaharek’s proposal of planting a 12 foot balsam fir tree at an appropriate location to serve a lighted Christmas tree. The motion carried unanimously

Marc Trivella reported on a proposal that was presented by the mayor to construct a bocce court next to the access driveway leading from the park to Cook Street.

MOTION: a Motion was made by Mima Zbell and seconded by Effie Mwando to decline the bocce court proposal because it does not conform to the committee’s mission and vision

to maintain Coe Memorial Park as a horticultural oasis for passive recreation and because of the proposed court’s proximity to a residential property. The motion carried unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 PM

Mark McEachern

Acting Secretary