

Village of Sunbury

Parks and Recreation Committee

Meeting Minutes October 7, 2020

- I. Call To Order-** Councilman Tim Gose opened the Sunbury Parks and Recreation Commission virtual meeting at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday October 7, 2020 via Zoom.
- II. Roll Call-**Those answering roll call: Tim Gose, Cindi Cooper, and David Martin. Also, in attendance were Administrator Allen Rothermel, Engineer Dave Parkinson, Fiscal Officer Kathy Belcher and Mayor Tommy Hatfield
- III. Visitors –**
- IV. Old Business**

- a. Grant Submittal Re-cap-** Two grant submittals are in totaling \$177,563 in requests for the southern trail extension plan (\$100,000 no match from Preservation Parks and \$77,563 matching grant from Delaware County). Announcements to be made by late December and if awarded, project to break ground in June/July of 2021. The County grant must be spent in two (2) years and the Preservation Parks grant must be spent in 2021.

Soft cost project estimates are \$125,000 with a \$30,000 place holder for Eng/Insp/Design costs.

Mayor Hatfield indicated that in addition to the grant funding for the project, he was looking for an additional \$30,000 from an outside source.

The \$155,000 projected total cost includes Cross Walk Rapid Flashing Beacons on Granville St.

- b. Volunteers-** Cindi Cooper asked about the possibility of volunteers helping in our parks. She has had inquiries from the Girl Scouts, Lions Club and Vineyard Church wanting to get involved. Allen Rothermel indicated he would make a list of things volunteers can do and give to Brad Gerwig and June Diehl to vet.

V. New Business

- a. Cemetery Tree Donation -** The Mayfield family confirmed with Tim Gose that they agree with planting a flowering magnolia tree in late September/early October.

- b. **Fallen Heroes North Extension-** ODOT balking at providing limited access along SR 3. Dave Parkinson indicated that the Inn at Walnut Trail owner Roger McClain asked about giving land to the Village already dedicated as Limited Access Right-of-Way. He further indicated that ODOT was surprised with the at-grade pedestrian crossings already in the ROW. He questioned where the State got the money to purchase the ROW originally in the 1950's but not recorded until the 1980's. If federal money was used, there could be many hoops to jump through in terms of regulations and restrictions. It will take time for ODOT to research. Review could take 6 – 8 months. It's a matter of common sense vs. federal regulations.

It was further suggested that we ask Genoa Twp. how the east side of SR3 was handled.

- c. **Up-ground Reservoirs Park funding-** Dave Parkinson updated the committee on potential grant funding sources. There are two applications (ODNR) due in February and one (Nature Works) due in June. Both grants would require a Village match of approximately \$250,000.

Kathy Belcher indicated this amount of money could be available in 2021, but, at the expense of not funding other projects.

Mayor Hatfield interjected we must get a handle on the Reservoir Water Control Project first to see how much of the Water Fund monies (\$434,000) remains.

Motion to adjourn by Dave Martin

Second by Cindi Cooper

Motion approved (unanimous) 7:00 pm adjournment

Minutes submitted by Allen Rothermel

