

Arlington Park Committee

Meeting Minutes

May 20, 2009

I. Call to order

Chairman Ihrke called to order the regular meeting of the **Arlington Park Committee** at **7:00 PM** on **May 20, 2009** in the **Council Chambers**.

II. Roll call

The following persons were present: Chairman Ihrke, Vice Chairman B. Thomes, Supt. Thomes, Hultgren, Kaessermann, and Battcher. Also present Consultant Smith-Strack and Helen Kittock

III. Approval of the Agenda

A motion to approve the Agenda by B. Thomes and seconded by Battcher, motion passed.

IV. Approval of minutes from last meeting

A motion to approve the minutes from 4/29/2009 was made by B. Thomes and seconded by Hultgren. The minutes were approved as read.

V. Tree donation from the Garden Club

The Arlington Garden Club would like to offer a donation of \$300.00 for a tree. Discussion was held on where would be a good area, will be discussed further. Also the Club is looking for help with a flower bed in Memorial Park's South side. It is overtaken by weeds and needs redoing, Battcher will ask Cub Scouts to see if they would like to take on the project and contact Kittock.

VI. Review Information obtained from Rediscover Sportsman's Park Event

The committee was happy with the number of attendees. Discussion of results from the "Green prints" exercise, the top priorities from exercise were the playground and Trails, with every bullet point getting some recognition. More discussion was made regarding the safety of the Playground areas city made "wood chips" and was requested that sticks be taken out and that the chips be spread out, as well as removing some of the more dangerous equipment, committee was told that the chips could not be spread out and that if you take out one piece of equipment that all the pieces would have to be removed. Motion by Battcher to then take out all the equipment and mulch, motion was not seconded.

VII. Annual Report to the Council on July 6th

Chairman Ihrke and Battcher will attend meeting.

VIII. Other Business

1. Infant/toddler swing at 4 Seasons Park

Battcher stated that there is a need for another infant/toddler swing at 4 Seasons Park.

2. Park Rules review

Rules from the County were reviewed, and agreed to be a good place to start with in forming our own rules for Sportsman's Park.

3. Fire Rings

The committee was informed that the fire rings are ready to be placed at "campsites" at Sportsman's Park. The committee however would like to approve our rules for the park, and discuss camping with the township before installing the fire rings.

IX. Adjournment

Vice Chairman Thomes adjourned the meeting at **8:55 PM**. The next regular meeting will be June 17, 2009.

Minutes submitted by: Michelle Battcher, sec.

Minutes approved by: