

**MARYVILLE PARK COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

NOVEMBER 21, 2005

The meeting of the Maryville Park Committee was called to order by Acting President, Diana Hedrick, at 6:00 P.M. on November 21, 2005, at the Administration Building. Members present were Al Ebert, Carol Frerker, Diana Hedrick, Ron Motil, Harland Scheibal, Roger Shoup, Chris Stanley and Judy Wiemann. Members David Cluphf, Cindy Jones and Sharon Petty were absent. Also in attendance were Trustee Liaison Todd Bell, Mayor Larry Gullede, Ken Kroschwitz from K-10's Model Trains, and Henry Goff of the Black Widows Softball Team. Sharon Petty was seated at 6:54 P.M.

Mayor Gullede introduced new member Harland Scheibal, and asked the others to introduce themselves.

In response of the resignation of David Cluphf as President, Hedrick informed the Committee a new President needs to be elected. Cluphf will remain on the Committee as a member.

Wiemann moved to elect Roger Shoup to replace David Cluphf as President. Hedrick seconded the motion. Hedrick called for nominations to be closed. A unanimous vote elected Roger Shoup to serve as President.

President Shoup called for corrections and additions to the minutes of the October 17, 2005, meeting. Hedrick informed the Committee no meeting was held in October due to the lack of a quorum. Shoup called for corrections and additions to the September 19, 2005, meeting. Motil moved and Wiemann seconded to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

President Shoup asked Ken Kroschwitz to address to Committee. Kroschwitz told the Committee he is asking permission to organize two programs in Drost Park. One is for rocket launching, the second Sunday of each month at an allocated time from May through September. He noted there is lots of room in Drost Park without a problem with high wires; and reiterated this is a safe sport. It was suggested that the launching take place at the north end of Drost Park rather than inside the Walking/jogging Path. Also suggested was placing a sign stating: NORTH END OF DROST PARK IS RESERVED FOR ROCKET LAUNCHING PROGRAM 2nd SUNDAY 3:00 – 5:00. Ebert moved and Hedrick seconded to recommend to the Village Board to allow Mr. Ken Kroschwitz of k-10's Model Trian to organize and run a rocket launching program the second Sunday each month from May through September from 3:00-5:00 P.M. in the north end of Drost Lake with the only cost to Maryville being a sign signifying this event. The motion was unanimously approved.

The other activity is remote control boat races that could be held the fourth Sunday of each month which involves a racing course. The course needs a straight area about 60 feet by 120 feet. Bell pointed out the small finger east of the fishing dock at the north end of the lake would be a good area. The only impact to the fishermen during the races is to avoid fishing and boating near the course. There is no pollution to worry about. Launching is relatively safe, but it is difficult to pick up a boat from a pier, and is best to land the boats on shore. A sand shore is ideal, but it may entice unwanted swimmers and waders into the lake.

President Cluphf asked Trustee Garcia to address the Committee. She would like the Village to build a large pavilion for large groups like a church picnic. Her church would like to use Drost Park for its annual picnic, but the pavilions are too small. Bell suggested rather than one large pavilion, have three smaller ones in a cluster. Gullede commented that this has a lot of merit: a pavilion large enough for an organization to use. This needs to be discussed more by the committee. The best time for the activity is 1:00-5:00 P.M. on the fourth Sunday each month from May through September. It was suggested that a sign be posted signifying this finger area is restricted to RC boat operation the 4th Sunday from 1:00-5:00 P.M. Stanley moved and Ebert seconded to recommend to the Village Board to allow Mr. Ken Kroschwitz to organize an RC boat (and other model boat) racing program on the northeast finger of Drost Lake the fourth Sunday of each month from May through September from 1:00-5:00 P.M. with the only expense to the Village is posting a sign signifying the area is restricted on 4th Sunday from 1:00-5:00P.M. The motion unanimously passed.

President Shoup told Mr. Kroschwitz these recommendations will be sent to the Village Board at the next caucus; and he will be informed of the Board's decision.

President Shoup asked Mr. Henry Goff of the Black Widows Softball Team to address the Committee. Mr. Goff is asking permission to host the Black Widows Fast Pitch Softball Tournament on the Maryville fields April 7 through 9, 2006 with a backup date of June 23 through 25. He was asked if this would interfere with the Khoury League schedule, and responded that it will not as the League runs from May through August. His team hosted this tournament in 2005 with no problems. Gullede suggested that Mr. Goff contact the Khoury League early enough to work around the June backup date. Petty moved and Wiemann seconded to recommend to the Village Board to allow Mr. Henry Goff and the Black Widows Softball Association to host a fast pitch softball tournament April 7 through 9, 2006 at the Drost Park diamonds with a backup date of June 23 through 25 which is to be checked with the Khoury League to prevent conflicts. The motion was passed unanimously.

Hedrick said a notice of the meeting was sent to the Drost Park Khoury League, but she has received no response from them.

Hedrick reported that Janet Burnett of the Master Gardeners has responded she has nothing to bring before the Committee at this time. Wiemann told the Committee that some of the trees are gurgling, and recommends the protective tubing be removed for the winter from the trees in Drost Park and elsewhere. Also, the Master Gardeners have noticed some dead trees that need to be replaced.

It was the general consensus of the Committee to recommend to the Board to remove the protective tubing around the trees.

The Monthly Available Funds report was distributed by Hedrick. There were no questions from members about the report.

Hedrick had no correspondence to present.

The recommendations to the Village Board from the August meeting are as follows:

1. The raising and leveling of the fishing dock and building ramps to the fishing dock and boat pier are being looked at by Pat Presson. Wiemann said the Village workers used boards belonging to the Master Gardeners to build a walkway to the fishing dock. This situation needs to be corrected.
2. The Walking/Jogging Path extension is under advisement.
3. The tree grant application has been dropped because no more trees are available.
4. To finance and complete the Drost Lake dredging has been added to the "To Do List".
5. The \$1000.00 donation has been given to the Master Gardeners.

Gulledge told the Committee that anticipated green space fees should reach \$100,000. to \$150,000. in the next year.

Hedrick reported the Pooch Party dog show was a success again this year with 38 entries. Other members commented on the fun everyone had, and how well behaved and good looking all the dogs were.

Shoup reminded the Committee that the Holiday Lighting Contest will be held again the year. He asked for volunteers to judge. The judges will be Hedrick, Motil, Scheibal and Wiemann. He will E-mail the necessary information to the judges.

Frerker discussed the Caroling in the Village event. Since Robyn Schmitt, who proposed and was Chair of this event has moved, it was decided to cancel the activity.

Petty announced the New Year's Day Walk is in the planning stages. Frerker will help her.

Gulledge informed the Committee that the bids for the pavilion/restrooms were too high. The Board will look at this again on the 30th of this month.

Gulledge asked the Committee for suggestions for the PEP grant that will be due soon. The general consensus of the Committee is to use the extended Walking/Jogging Path.

Gulledge reported that the progress is moving along good with the Drost Park and Walking/Jogging Path drainage.

Shoup said the parking blocks plan for the library is in the works.

Gulledge asked the Committee for ideas for work to be done by the SWAP program. Wiemann suggested painting the pavilions. Ebert indicated breaking out and replacing the concrete in pavilion #1.

Bell told the Committee the Web site is back up and running. There were no website updates for Bell.

Motil will report on the historic tree program at the next meeting.

It was the consensus of the Committee to move the large pavilion in Drost Park to the Tabled

Items List.

Gulledge said he will have two tables added to Pavilion #1 so there are three tables on each side of the pavilion.

Frerker discussed the need for a pavilion between the playgrounds. It was the consensus of the Committee to add this to the grant proposal.

Petty reported the experimental movie in the park was very well received. All members who attended agreed it should be added to the Calendar of Events for 2006. The whole Committee agreed.

Ebert informed the Committee that he met with Mike Rogo from the soil and water conservation department. Rogo will send a report on his findings concerning the erosion problem at Drost Lake.

Shoup explained the newly formed Maryville Garden Club and its plans for Maryville. This group is not part of the Master Gardeners. He invited anyone interested in joining to the December 15th meeting at his home. The club meets the third Thursday monthly at 7:00 P.M. The club would like to clean up, beautify and maintain the areas around the Centennial Memorial, the Blue Star memorial, the green space areas along Route 159, and add plantings along the fence on the north end of Drost Park. Members voiced approval of this undertaking. Petty moved and Frerker seconded to recommend to the Village Board to allow the Maryville Garden Club to pursue activities that will enhance the appearance of Maryville by maintaining the area around the Centennial memorial near Center Street, maintain the Blue Star memorial in Firemen's Park, place various plantings and necessary maintenance of the green space areas along Route 159 upon completion of the highway, and plant and maintain shrubs, etc. along the fence on the north end of Drost Park. The motion passed unanimously.

Due to the length of this meeting and the time needed to effectively prepare the Calendar of Events for 2006 and the PEP grant, the Committee agreed to hold a Special Meeting December 5, 2005. Wiemann said she will not be able to attend.

Gulledge invited the Committee members to the Village Christmas party on Thursday, December 22 from 1:00 to 7:00 P.M.

Being no other business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Hedrick, Secretary

APPROVED: _____

