

**MARYVILLE PARK COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

AUGUST 8, 2005

The meeting of the Maryville Park Committee was called to order at 6:01 P.M. on August 8, 2005, at the Administration Building by President Cluphf.

Members present were David Cluphf, Al Ebert, Carol Frerker, Diana Hedrick, Cindy Jones, Ron Motil, Sharon Petty, and Roger Shoup. Members Robyn Schmitt, Chris Stanley and Judy Wiemann were absent. Also in attendance were Mayor Larry Gullede; Trustee Liaison Todd Bell; Phil Winters, Cross Country Coach at Good Shepherd Lutheran School; and Chris Bailey of the CHS Boys Soccer Boosters and CHS Boys Soccer Coach, Chris Digirolamo.

President Cluphf called for corrections and additions to the minutes of the July 18, 2005, meeting. Being no corrections or additions to the minutes, President Cluphf declared the minutes stand approved as presented.

President Cluphf asked Mr. Winters to address the Committee. Winters requested the use of the Walking/Jogging Path and Pavilion #1 to host a fifth through eighth grade cross country meet with possibly three schools to be held in September. The meet will be held in the afternoon on a Monday, Thursday or Friday. Hedrick asked the distance to be run for the students. The boys run two miles and the girls one and one-half mile.

Bell said the only cost to the school would be the \$25.00 pavilion rental fee. Gullede recommended the Committee waive the fee since this is a school event. Various members indicated this would be good event for the park. Shoup commented the athletes should not run off the path and in the grass. Frerker agreed to be the contact person for the meet. Petty moved and Ebert seconded to recommend to the Village Board the approval for Good Shepherd Lutheran School to use the Walking/Jogging Path and pavilion #1 in Drost Park to host a small three school cross country meet on a date to be arranged during September; and waiving the pavilion rental fee since this is a school event. The motion passed unanimously.

Cluphf asked Bailey and Digirolamo to address the Committee. Digirolamo thanked the Committee for allowing the team to use the Drost Park soccer practice area during the summer. He asked to be allowed to continue to use the practice area during the soccer season. Bell commented that the soccer field area by the ball fields behind the Senior Citizen Center will be available as soon as the Khoury League season ends in August. Gullede informed the Committee there were no problems with this group using Drost Park. Shoup moved and Petty seconded to recommend to the Village Board to extend permission for the CHS Boys Soccer team to use Drost Park for soccer practices during their season. The motion carried unanimously.

Hedrick has had no response from the Drost Park Khoury League.

The Master Gardeners had no representative in attendance. Shoup reminded the Committee that the Illinois Master Gardeners Convention will include a tour of the Maryville gardens. Hedrick commented it would be nice to put "Welcome Master Gardeners" on the marquees during the convention dates. The Committee agreed. Hedrick will inform Kevin Flaughter to do this.

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

Hedrick had no correspondence to present.

Gulledge informed the Committee that approximately \$118,000.00 and \$22,000.00 will be collected for Green Space fees in the next couple months. Also, an additional \$20,000.00 will be paid for another development.

Hedrick reminded the Committee that the Joey James Band will play for the next Concert In The Park on August 21st at 2:00 P.M.

Trustee Bell had no comments at this time.

Gulledge presented architect drawings for the restroom/pavilions in Firemen's Park and Drost Park. He said the expected bid for the Firemen's Park project would bid \$150,000.00 and \$190,000.00 for the one in Drost Park. Committee members liked the drawings except a concern for the benches in front of the entrances to the restroom in Firemen's Park. Discussion led to a general consensus of the members to perhaps reposition the benches. Gulledge will have the architect look at this concern. Hedrick moved and Shoup seconded to recommend Mayor Gulledge present the drawings and plans for the restroom/pavilions in Firemen's Park and Drost Park, with the indicated changes, to the Village Board at the August 10, 2005 caucus. The motion passed unanimously.

Gulledge reported the Village employees are eliminating the drainage problems in Drost Park, but it will take time to correct it completely. Petty reminded the Committee that a path from the Senior Citizen area to the library area has been plotted. Therefore, President Cluphf called for the September meeting to be held at the library to allow the Committee to walk the proposed new path.

Petty had nothing to report on the movies in the park idea.

Shoup said he is working on a new plan for the parking blocks at the library.

Gulledge reported that the SWAP workers are scheduled for the week of August 25th and beginning of September. They will work on Drost Lake cleanup.

Bell opened discussion regarding a possible fun day in the park which would be a play day for the children. He said his brother's business could give the Village a good discount on rental of inflatable play equipment if four are used. Cluphf suggested a "Back to School" party. Ebert added we are neglecting the older kids. Also questioned was what would be available for adults? It was decided to wait until next year to pursue this activity.

Bell asked the Committee for help updating the park website. He would like Wiemann have the Master Gardeners give him a new link to the website. The following members will work on the listed areas:

Master Gardeners-----Wiemann
Khoury League-----Frerker
Donations (all three parts) -----Hedrick
Drost Park-----Petty
Calendar of Events-----Petty
Home Page-----Cluphf

Cluphf told the Committee he cannot organize a fall run this year, but will for next year. The consensus of the Committee is to drop the Turkey Trot event, and prepare for a quality mile run event for 2006.

Gulledge announced the Mod U Docks have arrived, but they are not flotation type like the boat pier. However, the Village was not charged for the flotation type. With the agreement of the Committee, he will have the Village employees install the stationary docks.

Petty informed the Committee the tree grant program from which 100 trees were received last year is available again. Petty and Shoup will check Drost Park for needed tree replacements and apply for the trees from the Communi-tree program. Motil discussed of a famous tree program that is available. It is a program where citizens can donate a famous tree derivative such as the George Washington cherry tree to be planted in the park and informational signage placed by the tree. He will gather more information for the next meeting.

Being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Hedrick, Secretary

APPROVED: _____