

**MARYVILLE PARK COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

July 21, 2003

The meeting of the Maryville Park Committee was called to order at 6:05 P.M. on July 21, 2003, by Chairperson Judy Wiemann.

Members present were Al Ebert, Carol Frerker, Diana Hedrick, Cindy Jones, Sharon Petty, Roger Shoup and Judy Wiemann. Not attending were Rick Dill, Myron Provence and Bill Thomas. Also in attendance was Village Trustee Todd Bell. Member Chris Stanley joined the meeting at 6:15 P.M.

Chairperson Wiemann called for corrections and additions to the minutes of the June 16, 2003 meeting. Shoup moved and Petty seconded the minutes be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

The Monthly Available Funds Report was distributed and reviewed. Hedrick asked whether any Green space fees have been collected. Bell said the Bagley property development will be the first to come in. It will go into the park land acquisition account. Hedrick is to ask Village Clerk Thelma Long to include the Green space income on the future available funds reports.

Bell reported that Jeff Detton is resigning from the Drost Park Khoury League at the end of this season, and no new person has been named yet. Various members commented on the fine job he has done to bring the League to its present high quality.

Drost informed the members that the Concert In The Park featuring the Coral Court Band was very successful with 85 people attending. Ebert added that the music was great. Petty asked how parking worked for those attending. Bell said he and Mayor Gullledge looked at adding parking on the East side of the fire house and on the East and South sides of Firemen's Park. This could add about 75 parking spaces.

Hedrick relayed information from Mayor Gullledge that an easement from T.J. Trucking may be an advantage over having him move the fence that is on the Village's property. Petty suggested the Village level the narrow area along the North end of Drost Lake and West along T.J. Trucking and the electric company. She thought extending it to the end of East Division Street would be good. Hedrick commented that it would give a good access from the West side of the lake. Petty moved and Ebert seconded to recommend to the Village Board to build a grassy walking path from the end of the extended East Division Street around the North end of the lake to the parking lot by the Comfort Station. The motion passed unanimously.

Bell reported the access to Drost Park from Copper Creek subdivision is progressing. He distributed a letter to Mayor Gullledge from Andrew and Beth Limmer opposing this access.

Their property is adjacent to the proposed walkway. Bell said Mayor Gullede will meet with the Limmers.

Bell and Stanley are working on the Rolling Meadows access possibility. Stanley reminded the Committee there is confusion concerning the ownership of the properties in question. Bell and Stanley are to report back at the next meeting with plats and ownership information of the properties in question.

Bell informed the Committee that Village Engineer Juneau has gotten prices and ideas for dredging Drost Lake with the cost being \$16.00 per cubic yard and \$4000.00 to set the crane in and \$4000.00 to remove the crane. Bell gave Juneau information on other companies and possible grants. He is hoping to get the project started this Fall.

Bell reported that Juneau has a price of \$38,000.00 to put a surface down on the Walking/Jogging path, and then come back a year later to put a seal on it. Hedrick asked if drainage will be put in under the path where it is washing out. Bell said the Village will not do a permanent surface on the path until the lake is done, but a temporary fix will be done. Petty moved and Stanley seconded to recommend to the Village Board to add limestone, work on the drainage by adding ditches/culverts at washed out areas, and eliminate weeds to temporarily make the path useable as soon as possible until a permanent surface can be installed. The motion unanimously passed.

Bell relayed information that the Drost Park Khoury League would like to honor resigning President Jeff Detton by placing his name on a field. Hedrick noted that the naming of fields was discussed by the Committee a few years ago with names of the Maryville's major league baseball players, previous mayors or originators of the first league in Maryville. It was decided at that time that naming fields would cause too many problems in establishing and maintaining fair guidelines; thus, the fields were numbered. Having no motion forwarded, the consensus of the Committee is not to name any fields. However, the Committee is in favor of the League hanging a plaque honoring Mr. Detton in the Concession Stand where it will be safe for future years.

Discussion opened regarding the Semanisin memorial to be placed by the ball fields. Members moved outdoors to locate a place to suggest the memorial be set. An area behind the Administration Building just South of two large trees would be ideal as it is in the field area, but not too close to any field. Hedrick is to check again about moving the Vernon Lucas memorial from the Catholic Church to this area as well.

Hedrick was reminded an article about the Art Contest needs to be sent to the newspapers.

Petty announced the St. Louis Museum of Transportation is raffling a caboose. She thinks it might be a good addition to the park. She will donate it should she win.

Petty mentioned that Glen Carbon has a tree drop-off location where they use a chipper/shredder to make and keep a mulch pile available for residents to take. This would be a good project for

Maryville as it provides a place for residents to get rid of trees and brush along with a source for getting mulch. Petty moved and Stanley seconded to recommend to the Village Board to pursue the possibility of creating a mulch pile where residents can collect mulch for their own use and that would also provide an area to leave tree debris. The motion passed unanimously.

Petty suggested the Committee consider putting in a volleyball net in Drost Park near the pavilion.

She also said disk golf might be a good activity to add.

Bell informed the Committee that the Madison County Parks and Recreation District has changed the grant process. Frerker mentioned that we need a grant writer. Bell will give Frerker the name of a grant writer, and she will look for names and more information on possibilities.

Bell announced the joint committee meeting with C.A.R.D. will be tomorrow night at 7:00 or so. Joint committee members are Hedrick, Jones, Shoup and Stanley.

Shoup is waiting for a response about the letter he sent Mayor Gullede for Riddle Tree Farm concerning the trees purchased from him. Bell is to check with Gullede about this.

Shoup said the Master Gardeners indicated to him they would like to build a shed and put in a cabinet for storage. Hedrick spoke to Janet Burnett, and she said the Master Gardeners would like to meet with Park Committee members tomorrow at 9:30 or 10:00 A.M. Shoup and Petty will meet with them.

Ebert reported that the Village put black tubing on the boat ramp posts until the orange covers come in.

Frerker discussed the possibility of extending her reading and science clubs to meeting at the Senior Citizen Center and open it up to all village children. She was told to bring this idea to the Park Committee. It was decided she should meet with Mayor Gullede to ask permission to use the Center on a continual basis.

Frerker presented a proposal to establish a library in Maryville. Hedrick mentioned a library committee was to be established as a result of last year's Centennial. Frerker is to discuss her proposal with Mayor Gullede.

Bell relayed information that several coaches are wanting to use soccer fields for practices. Also, Mr. Dave Merz has asked about donating a set of goals. Bell would like to purchase four sets to be put in the park at a cost of about \$1,500.00 per set. Hedrick asked how the decision would be made for use the practice areas. Bell said he would be in charge of scheduling the areas with the coaches. He showed catalogs with goals and prices. Jones suggested purchasing a better grade for longer wear. Jones and Petty suggested he check another source for a better price. Petty moved and Shoup seconded to recommend to the Village Board to purchase two sets of soccer goals to be placed in the designated Master Plan area with the possible donation of one set to be

placed on the East side of Drost Lake; and to purchase one set of volleyball standards and a net to be placed inside the South end of the Walking/Jogging Path. The motion was unanimously approved.

Being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Hedrick, Secretary

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