

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE OF THE VILLAGE OF METTAWA, ILLINOIS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2024 IN THE COTTONWOOD ROOM A

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Clark called the meeting to order at 6:54 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Upon a call of the roll the following persons were:

Present: Chairman Clark and Members Armstrong and Pelech

Absent: None

Chairman Clark declared a quorum present.

Attendees: Village Clerk, Sandy Gallo; Village Administrator, Mandi Florip; Village Engineer, Scott Anderson and Trustees Smolic and Towne

Also in Attendance: Karen Carruthers

C. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER

Meeting minutes of September 11, 2024 were reviewed. It was moved by Chairman Clark and seconded by Member Armstrong that the regular meeting minutes be approved and be placed on file. The motion was carried.

D. DISCUSS HYDROSEEDING PROPOSALS FOR 15085 W OLD SCHOOL ROAD

Chairman Clark stated she received two proposals to hydroseed the village's parcel from McGinty Bros and Forest Builders. The hydroseeding will be done in October. Trustee Towne asked what is the Committee's long-range plans for this location, native. Trustee Towne asked if Pizzo & Associates submitted a proposal for this program too. Chairman Clark replied McGinty Bros had been approached as they are great contractors for this type of work. A recommendation was received from the contractors to hydroseed this area and repeat mowing to remove some of the smaller buckthorn shoots. Chairman Clark indicated the Committee can dictate the type of seeds to use. Village Engineer Scott Anderson indicated hydroseeding is a cost saving process to seeding this parcel versus blanket seeding. The Committee determined they would like the seeding to be native. Chairman Clark stated she will reach out to Pizzo and Associates and McGinty Bros to provide update proposals for native seeding. The updated proposals will be received for the Board meeting.

A recommendation was made to approve hydroseeding at 15085 W Old School Road in the amount of \$15,000. The motion was made by Chairman Clark and seconded by Member Pelech. The motion was carried.

E. DISCUSS THE DAVEY TREE EXPERT WATERING PROPOSAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000

Chairman Clark indicated the Committee approved a summer watering program and not all ten sessions have been utilized. This proposal will be for the fall watering to ensure the Old School Road new trees are adequately watered.

A motion was made to approve the Davey Tree Expert proposal water program in the amount of \$1,000. The motion was made by Member Pelech and seconded by Member Armstrong. Chairman Clark Abstained from voting. The motion was carried.

F. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY APPEAR TO THE COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION, AND IF APPROVED, BE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chairman Clark indicated she is working with Nick Pizzo on renewing the Pizzo and Associates agreement for the various village open spaces area for a four-year contract. Chairman Clark stated plugs and plantings that were included in the prior agreement are being removed as they were not successful. The new agreement will also include the Old School Road parcel. The final agreement will be presented to the Committee in the February meeting to view.

G. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Member Pelech and seconded by Member Armstrong to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 pm. The motion was carried.

Sandy Gallo, Village Clerk