

## GREEN SPACE/PARK COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** November 3, 2021

IN ATTENDANCE:

Anne Campbell Michelle Balside Pat Hogan Loretta Rokey John Kohler Darlene Page Dan Newyear Mark Cann Mike Slagle Todd Wales

Emily Drussell Bailey Barnhill Mason Hisnite

## **Park Improvements**

1.1 Master Plan Development - Kleingers:

Mike Slagle and Todd Wales of Kliengers attended the meeting and made a presentation regarding the future development of Groh, Spencer Shank and Locust Corner Park. They presented a number of ideas for creating focal points in Groh park, connecting the various pieces of Spencer Shank and a couple of concepts for the sports fields at Locust Corner, along with lots of upgrades for all three parks.

Mike and Todd had completed walk thrus at all three parks. Their presentation included a number of picture boards. They had developed large layouts providing overhead views with the existing conditions and proposed changes.

Members of the staff and Park's Committee shared some history and thoughts about the proposed changes. Mike and Todd took the feedback and will make changes for the plans based on the feedback. These updated proposals will be presented at a future meeting.

1.2 Master Plan Worksheet Review: There was a brief discussion about the Master Plan Worksheet. Some updates need to be made for completed items. Also there was a suggestion to integrate Klienger's list with our list. Randy Page will make updates to the list for completed items.

## Park Event Ad Hoc Group Updates

- 2.1 Christmas Caroling & Tree Lighting Event:
  - The group is targeting Thursday, December 16, 2021, for the event.
  - Emily Drusell from Brownie/Girl Scout troop #4012 met with the group regarding having the girls in the troop singing and making ornaments for the tree.

- Bailey Barnhill and Mason Hisnite met with the group regarding music to be performed by the West Clermont High School Brass Quintet.
- There will also be a period of Caroling for the residents and members of the community.
- There was a lengthy discussion about the tree itself and the location. Randy, John and Mark will make the final decision regarding the tree.
- Also discussed was field lighting...A&A Safety will be contacted for a possible donation such as has happened for Park Fest.
- Bigby Coffee will be making a donation of refreshments.
- The Ad Hoc Event Committee will be responsible for preparing marketing flyers and a Facebook blast announcement.

## Other Business

- 3.1 Fall Clean-up Work Day:
  - Date is set for Saturday, 11/13/2021, 9am 1pm.
  - The location is Groh Park, 3390 Huntsman Trace.
  - Invasive plant removal is the primary focus for this work day
  - Two members of the Service Department will be assisting with a Chipper.
  - Dan Newyear has made a significant contribution to the planning of this event. He estimates that we will have 11 student volunteers from UC Clermont. Local Boy Scouts will also be joining us. The company that Dan works for is donating trash bags and gloves. Randy Page will check with Rumpke for the rental of a porta potty for the day.
- 3.2 Bench Donations: A recent donation and subsequent order for another bench has made the committee once again visit the issue of the amount for bench donations. For the most recent order, the cost of the bench and delivery was \$1408.00. With the added cost of a concrete pad, labor for installation (\$300.00) and commemorative plaque (\$180.00), our recent increase to \$1900.00 may not be enough. It was also discussed that any further increase might price this program out of existence.

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, December 1, 2021, 6:30pm

Minutes prepared by: Randy Page