PARKS, RECREATION, & GREENWAYS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 2, 2021 – 9am Village Hall, 10004 New Town Road Regular Meeting (Virtual Meeting)

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Call to Order

Chairman Baresich called the meeting to order at 9:05am.

2. Determine Quorum

Chairman Baresich determined a quorum was present.

Present: Chairman Baresich, Bob Nunnenkamp (left 11:12am), Mayor Pro Tem Vandenberg (Council Liaison)

Present Virtually: Vice-Chair Culp, Dan Wilson

Absent: Sherri Albano

Staff Present: Austin W. Yow, Rohit Ammanamanchi

3. Adoption of the Agenda

Chairman Baresich requested to make the following changes:

• Add New Business #6 "Discussion of Community Clean Up Event"

- Add New Business #7 "Park Sign/Naming Competition"
- Add New Business #8 "Adopt a Road Update"

MOTION: Bob Nunnenkamp moved to add these items to the agenda. Vice-Chair Culp seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

4. Adoption of the Minutes: 2/2/21

MOTION: Bob Nunnenkamp moved to adopt the minutes from 2/2/21 as presented. Dan Wilson seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

5. Public Comment Period

No comments were given.

PUBLIC FACILITIES MANAGER'S UPDATE

TIME STAMP 2:55

1. Volunteer Workday Summary

Austin W. Yow, Village Clerk & Assistant to the Manager informed the Board that the Volunteer Workday was a huge success. He stated that Derek Durst, Public Facilities Manager, informed him that a local church group, alongside other residents came to work in the community gardens. The group was large enough to split up and help Vice-Chair Culp to spread mulch in the front of the park. Based on the turnout, another Volunteer Workday could be scheduled soon.

Vice Chair Culp stated 20-30 people turned out and got a lot accomplished. She stated that the group helped to rebuild a few of the beds and seem to be interested in staying involved with the park. The Board discussed tentatively scheduling a future workday on Saturday, April 17.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS ITEMS

TIME STAMP 11:35

1. Update on Joint Meeting with Council

Austin W. Yow informed the Board that based off of the results of the Doodle Poll, the best date to hold the Joint Meeting with Council was Tuesday, March 23 at 9am.

TIME STAMP 12:20

2. Discussion of Statement of Economic Interest and Code of Ethics Forms

Mr. Yow reminded Board members that their Statement of Economic Interest and Code of Ethics forms are due in April.

TIME STAMP 13:15

3. Greenway Flooding Update

Mr. Yow informed the Board that Councilman Wortman recently looked at the site and will be providing feedback soon. Afterwards, Mr. Durst will be reaching out to McConnell Grading to confirm the price for raising the greenway to solve the flooding issue.

TIME STAMP 30:30

4. Playground Drainage Update

Mr. Yow informed the Board that this was a CIP item budgeted for this fiscal year and that Brightview Landscaping would be starting their work during the week of March 8. They will be installing a French drain, as well as adding gravel and mulch to the playground's surface.

TIME STAMP 31:20

5. Sponsorship Update

Mr. Yow informed the Board that the sponsorship policy was approved by the Village Council at their February 25 work session. Christina Amos, Village Manager, is currently investigating whether donations would be tax deductible.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

TIME STAMP 34:50

1. Discussion and Review of Sketch Plan for Joe Kerr Road Subdivision

Rohit Ammanamanchi, Planning & Zoning Administrator, introduced the proposed subdivision, explaining how an easement could be dedicated for a future trail. Mark Kime and Robb Klauk, of Land Design explained the project further. The Board discussed possible connectivity of this trail to the future Marvin Loop Trail, to Marvin Creek's internal trail, and a future expansion of the Six Mile Creek Greenway in Mecklenburg County.

TIME STAMP 55:50

2. Discussion of Union County Public School Initiative

Bob Nunnenkamp introduced Amy Sperry of the Union County Education Foundation. She explained that their focus is giving grants to teachers for innovation in the classroom. She explained the Grow Grant, a \$5,000 award which is intended to have student impact valued greater than the monetary award. She discussed partnering with MARSH and the Village to help sponsor this program.

TIME STAMP 1:24:25

3. Discussion of the Marvin Efird Park Sign

Mr. Nunnenkamp explained that the current sign at the entrance to Marvin Efird Park cannot be easily seen driving by. The Board discussed installing larger and more easily seen signage at the entrance. Mr. Nunnenkamp informed the Board that Mr. Durst has received a few quotes for new signs. The Board agreed that there should be two new flat aluminum signs installed in an angular pattern. They agreed that these signs should have the establishment date and address replaced with the text "Certified Wildlife Habitat."

TIME STAMP 1:38:50

4. Discussion of Marvin Gardens Change of Flowers

Mr. Ammanamanchi explained that the developer of Publix is seeking to replace the flowering annuals with flowering perennials. The Board suggested flowers to be planted and deferred their recommendations to the next PR&G Board meeting.

TIME STAMP 1:44:20

5. Discussion and Consideration of Adopting an Ongoing Action Item List

Mayor Pro Tem Vandenberg explained that maintaining an ongoing action item list would help to ensure that ideas and tasks created and assigned at meetings are not lost in the day-to-day business.

TIME STAMP 1:49:00

6. Discussion of Community Clean-Up Event

The Board discussed scheduling a community clean-up day to encourage the community to pick up litter along roadways.

TIME STAMP 1:56:50

7. Park Sign/Naming Competition

Mayor Pro Tem Vandenberg proposed going to local schools to have a competition to name the proposed pocket park at Marvin Gardens. She also proposed installing donation signs with QR codes at both parks. The Board discussed various ideas at get children involved with creating artwork for the park.

Mr. Nunnenkamp left the meeting at 11:12am.

TIME STAMP 2:07:05

8. Adopt a Road Update

Mayor Pro Tem Vandenberg discussed encouraging groups to adopt local roads and to help keep the community free of litter.

AGENDA ITEMS

TIME STAMP 2:13:10

1. **Review of Action Items**

- Mr. Durst will move forward with the new park signs.
- Vice-Chair Culp will check on sign designs for the park.
- Mr. Ammanamanchi will bring the Marvin Gardens change of flowers back at the next meeting.
- Mr. Yow will create an Ongoing Action Item List.
- Chairman Baresich will reach out to the resident proposing the community clean-up day.
- Mr. Yow will publish communications about the clean-up day once scheduled.
- Board members will submit their SEI and COE forms.
- Vice-Chair Culp will check with the Girl Scouts about projects for the pocket park.
- Mr. Durst will check with the Eagle Scouts about projects for the pocket park.
- Mr. Ammanamanchi will follow up with NCDOT about people not cleaning up their adopted roads.
- Mayor Pro Tem Vandenberg will contact Marvin Elementary art teachers.
- Mr. Wilson and Councilman Wortman will work together on the greenway flooding.

TIME STAMP 2:16:30

2. **Board Comments**

Dan Wilson: He stated that since his appointment he has been impressed with board members and the board's achievements. Vice-Chair Culp: She concurred with Mr. Wilson's remarks.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Vice-Chair Culp moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:22am. Dan Wilson seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

Adopted: 4-13-21

Austin W. Yow

Village Clerk & Assistant to the Manager

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Village of Marvin