

**Village of Chagrin Falls
Parks Commission
October 24, 2017**

Next meeting: November 14, 2017

The meeting was convened in Village Hall at 8:30am.

In attendance:

Parks: Anne deConingh, Greta Insolia, Tod White, Janna Lutz
Administration: Rob Jamieson, John Brockway
Chagrin Falls Village Council: Angela DeBernardo, Nancy Rogoff
ARB: Wendy Naylor, Steve King
Chagrin Falls Historical Society: John Bourisseau
HDR: Joanne Shaner, Jacob Wrotten
Cuyahoga County Department of Public Works: Byron Sah

Audience: Patti Baker, Reed Carpenter, Erinn Grube, Joan Rusek, two others whose names are unknown

-Approval of minutes of October 10 meeting will occur at the next meeting on November 14

-River Run Park-

Bocce Ball Court is complete and grass has grown in! The equipment box will be near/behind the gazebo (most likely) and placed on a pad. It will be convenient for players, 'hidden' from road view and discreetly placed out of the way of gazebo users.

Cat's Den Garden Club has planted 1,000 daffodils around newly placed gazebo and is considering maintaining garden bed around the River Run Park sign if appropriate, given present plantings donated by Shirley Ashby. Anne deConingh has a record of those donated plants.

-Riverside Park-

Stairway replacement - The Jaycees will palletize the bricks in late winter and construction on the steps from the library and brick path will begin in early spring. The steps/stairs and path will be ready for Blossom and Art by the Falls! But probably not the new grass.

-Bell St. Park-

New benches will be placed in Bell St. Park in the spring 2018. These benches will match the new ones in Riverside Park.

-Beautification-

Fall clean up of parks' garden beds, bump outs and urns will take place October 24, 25, 26 (if weather requires). Your HomeTown, the Beautification Committee and Lowe's will coordinate for placement of winter greens in the urns at the same time as the Jaycees are decorating the downtown.

-Main Street Bridge Railing-

Byon Sah (CCDPW) and Joanne Shaner and Jacob Wrotten (HDR construction company) structural engineers, attended the meeting and provided renderings of five top railing picks. These renderings were also posted on the Village website (Angela DeBernardo) October 23. The group narrowed the choices to:

Mass Dot - visually clean, top ledge reminiscent of current railing
Texas C2P (no fin) - pickets visible above tube/rounded horizontal top railing (distracting or integrating architectural features throughout village)

The California options (although most open and simple) were deemed too much of a safety risk for small children - climbing and slipping through/over.

The group will reconvene on November 14 at 8:30am to view more detailed renderings of above two options. These renderings will provide a variety of views to address concerns/questions about thickness of horizontal railings and how the bottom portion of each meets the curb.

MEETING ADJOURNED @ 9:35am

NEXT MEETING NOVEMBER 14 @8:30am in Village Hall

Anne W. deConingh
Chair

