

Village of Chagrin Falls

Parks Commission

March 3, 2021

Next meeting: April 7, 2021 Zoom meeting 8:30am

The meeting was convened at Village Hall at 8:35am.

In attendance:

Parks: Anne de Coningh, Greta Insolia, Jeff Opperman, Tod White,

Administration: John Brockway, Kristy Holmes, Rob Jamieson

Chagrin Falls Village Council: Nancy Rogoff

Chagrin Valley Chamber President: Molly Gebler

Minutes from the February 7, 2021 meeting approved by Tod White, seconded by Anne de Coningh.

1. Rob Jamieson addressed the Parks Commission to update on a few Operating Budget items relevant to Parks:

- a. River Run Dog Park fence will be replaced and run improved.
- b. Grove Hill Park fence (black iron) will be put in.
- c. River embankment fortified.

Capital Budget items are:

- d. Work will begin on Ben King Arboretum Trail along the river using 65K grant.
- e. Riverside Park: landscaping per usual/walkway from library towards the playground (path will be straightened) and along the river up to area near wingwalls will be replaced. 100K earmarked grant money from State of Ohio and 25K from CF Village.
- f. Triangle Park: Outer rim brick sidewalk replacement continues with standard red brick (replacing pavers); one more phase in 2022.
- g. Grove Hill Park design planning ongoing.
- h. Falls viewing deck replaced and hillside stabilization near Popcorn Shop.

2. Janet Ingold, resident: proposed flowers as art in Riverside Park - April 22-25. Specifically, she wants to wrap a tree near the river in fresh flower arrangement. No nails would be used and this would be temporary (3-5 days). The purpose: purely for enjoyment. No signage. Motion to approve by Anne and seconded by Nancy - proposal sent to Council.

3. Chagrin Falls Little Theatre proposed a 4th of July concert with the Chagrin Falls Studio Orchestra in Riverside Park - 2-4pm. Motion to approve by Anne, seconded by Jeff. Proposal sent to Council.

4. Arts Commission and Angela DeBernardo proposed Hope Blooms Ohio, April 1-8. This is an ExcelTech marketing program intending to promote spring in parks around Cleveland area. The group will install large, plastic, inflatable flowers in Triangle Park and at the entrance to Riverside Park. The installation was previously approved by CF Council on February 22.

5. Storywalk for April/May - "Blossom" by Molly Gebler – Unanimously approved by Parks last September. Suggestion that back sides not be white and have a note saying, "StoryWalk starts at the library."

Beautification:

April 8/15 - Clean up

May 13 – Urn planting

May 14 – Park garden beds and bump outs planting

Miscellaneous:

Serviceberry trees in Riverside Park need attention.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50am.

NEXT MEETING: 8:30am April 7, 2021, in Village Hall (via Zoom).

Anne Wombwell de Coningh, Chair

Greta Insolia, Secretary

