

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF ELBURN PARKS COMMISSION
JULY 21, 2020

Members Present: Chairman Dan Kolzow, Dawn Kuefler, Patrick Leach, Brian McCarty, Rob Reilley

Members Absent: Dave Dickinson

Staff Members Present: Village Administrator John Nevenhoven

Others Present: Blackberry Township rep John VanBogaert

1. Call to Order – Chairman Kolzow called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Chairman Kolzow led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call – A roll call vote ensued.
4. Approval of Minutes – June 16, 2020 – A motion to approve the minutes was made by Leach and seconded by Reilley. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
5. Public Comment – Blackberry Township rep VanBogaert said he is interested in an update on the Elburn Station Park.
6. Commissioner Projects
 - a. Elburn Station Update – Administrator Nevenhoven gave an update. Stormwater engineering comments from EEI have been responded to by WT and awaiting review by EEI. Hitchcock planners have been working with the awarded contractor and a precon will be held soon. VanBogaert and the Blackberry Township Supervisor will be invited to the precon.
 - b. Prairie Park Update – The park rehab, including the new shelter, is complete. Photos of the park improvements were displayed. It was recommended that hardware cloth or chicken wire be installed in the shelter in order to keep birds from nesting in the rafters.
 - c. Recommend Approval of a “Movie in the Park” – Leach obtained a quote from a company who handles the entire setup, including the movie, for a total of \$400. With the size of the screen, 200 people can easily watch the movie. This company has done other events in town. The location is Prairie Park. Leach will check on a deposit and availability of August 22 and/or August 29 – will also ask about a rain date. Food truck(s) were suggested as were porta potties for the night of the event. There was unanimous consensus to move forward with movie in the park. Nevenhoven will present to the Village Board on August 3.

Leach thinks Prairie Park would be a good venue for live music. The baseball backstop would be a good spot for a wagon as a temporary stage until such time that a permanent stage/amphitheater can be built. It could be a family based Ravinia-type venue and music would not go late into the evening. There was consensus from the Commissioners this is a good idea and would like to work toward this. Feedback from residents near the park should be obtained. There is a lit walkway leading to the Meadows apartments and residents can walk over and listen to live music. Reilley would like to bring a half marathon to Elburn some day and this would be a perfect location.
7. Other Business – It was inquired if we are going to do porta potties this year at Prairie Park. Nevenhoven will check with Lakeshore Recycling Services. Leach has received a few inquiries to convert the volleyball courts at the Community Center to basketball courts. The Community Center is the chosen location if/when the next OSLAD application occurs. Basketball courts are an option.

8. Adjourn - Leach motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m. with Kuefler seconding the motion.
The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Diane McQuilkin".

Diane McQuilkin
Village Clerk