

**TOWN OF BRIGHTON
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**Minutes
October 18, 2017
9:30 a.m.**

Brookside – Rec. Dept.

PRESENT: Chris Werner, William Moehle, Louise Novros, Robin Wilt, Tim Keef, Matt Beeman, Rebecca Cotter, Asher Flaum, Sue Gardner Smith

OPEN FORUM

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Park Issues: Matt Beeman:

Trees – An ongoing replacement plan for trees that are lost throughout the year is being developed.

- Working with Color Brighton Green on replacing trees. CBG made a request to Lowes and Home Depot to see if old stock of unsold trees could be donated to the Town. This request was denied
- Color Brighton Green came up with \$200 to use to purchase heavily discounted trees from Home Depot
- This should purchase 15 5' – 6' trees
- Looking at Buckland park for possible location for trees
- Rotary International is looking to do some tree planting. May be another opportunity to leverage additional trees
- All parks need to be included on a tree replacement plan

Buckland Park

Broken slide at Buckland Park

- The slide broke around 4th of July, it was repaired early in the summer, then broke again.
- 2 more slides have broken since then, one at Town Park and one at Town Hall
- The Buckland Park and Town Hall slide replacements don't exist and alternate apparatus had to be identified
- The total cost to replace all 3 components will be over \$7000
- Topic will be brought to October 31st FASC to request a budget transfer to purchase the replacement parts
- Can do installation over the winter
- Slides are currently blocked off and closed to use until replacements can be installed
- The rest of the playground equipment is open
- Each slide that is closed has another slide available on the same structure
- All Town Slides are pre-molded plastic

Corbett's Glen

Corbett's Glen Committee Report and recommendations - status

- Question about where Glen Road ends and where the wood bridge begins
- Wood bridge at Corbett's Glen in need of some repair
- Matt will be meeting with Tim Anderson to evaluate

Brickyard Trail:

Recreation Programs – issues or challenges:

- Getting ready for the Fall Festival this weekend at Town Hall and the Library
- 2nd annual Sensory Friendly Trick or Treating
- Winter/Spring Programming going on now to create the Brochure
- All Fall events are very popular and coming up in the next couple of weeks
- Programs/registrations ongoing for Fall programs
- Large Gym Floor being re-surfaced at Brookside next week by BCSD

Farmer's Market/Community Center - Sue Gardner Smith. Report

- 10th anniversary in 2018 for the Farmers Market
- Considering a new logo for the Anniversary
- Have had a great year at the Market in Brighton
- The market is thriving and has remained strong where other Markets around the country have struggled
- Brighton's market is strict about sticking to the mission, high standards for vendors to bring high quality, sustainably produced food to the community
- The Brighton community has been a tremendous support to the market through the years
- It has become a community gathering place to build community
- 50 vendors at the Summer market including food trucks (started at 25)
- Music weekly, Good Grub Club for kids, Brighton Food Cupboard is there, vendors donated over 2500 lbs of food to the food cupboard last year, Color Brighton Green collects recycling materials, Impact Earth is there weekly supporting zero waste at the Market – They donate their time weekly at the Market, "Ask a Scientist" answer any questions and bring things to share with the community, various community groups all attend weekly
- Committed to supporting sustainable, local agriculture, producer only market
- Participate in Markets ROC to promote the SNAP program in the area to make fresh foods more accessible to SNAP customers. Includes a bonus program to extend their buying power at the market!
- There has been an increase in SNAP participation at the Brighton Market
- We are the only market not in the City of Rochester that participates in the SNAP Program

WINTER MARKET

- Crucial to support the farmers year round
- The winter market has allowed the farmers to change their growing practices to extend the growing season
- They have product much later into the season now
- The Winter Market is larger than many local summer markets

HOW CAN WE SUPPORT THE MARKET??

- Keep doing what we are doing
- Support from the BCSD has been great hosting the Market weekly
- Community support has been consistent and steady!

WINTER MARKET MOVING TO BUCKLAND

- Synergy at that location is a great for the Market
- We are maxed out at Brookside for winter market

Will the summer market move to Buckland?

- No decision has been made regarding moving the summer market to Buckland
- Summer Market is maxed out at BHS, no public restrooms, no running water, no seating, blacktop is hot, no room for growth
- There are many pluses and minuses to both locations

Rent Source Inquiry: Bill Moehle

Ken Gordon, Town Attorney will be working on putting together the law on this

Smoking Policy / Ban – Town parks and properties: Dan Aman.

Town Beautification - Town Hall Campus, Rose Garden, Monroe Avenue, 12 Corners Triangle
Special Meeting at the “Rose Garden” on October 12 at 1:30 p.m.

- Dee present to follow up on the past few months of progress with beautification.
- Off to a good start
- Appearances look much improved
- Pergola at Twelve Corners Park needs some maintenance/repair. Painting, pillars repaired, benches need to be painted etc...

Rose Garden:

- Bring perimeter in, remove center star, remove wood
- If time allows, the Town may start work this fall and continue into the spring
- Sustainability, low maintenance concepts need to be incorporated and part of the process
- Art components?
- Coordinate with neighborhood
- Dee and neighbors will trim the Rose bushes to winter them over

Chamber of Commerce request – (Benches, Garbage Cans?).

Bill will speak to the Chamber once we have specifics on what we are asking for as a group

- Refuse Containers have been discussed previously, but is there something more exciting to get Chamber involved with?
- Discussion continued on the need for refuse containers.
- Concerns over the more garbage cans there are, the more garbage they attract
- Bus stops need to be considered as potential locations
- Better recycling options needs to be considered
- Agreed that refuse containers need to remain in Twelve Corners Park, but what is the need along the entire Monroe Avenue Corridor?

Benches were also discussed

- Dan Aman had been looking at how many benches were along Monroe Avenue and what condition they are in
- Current benches need to be dealt with. Mostly in very poor condition
- Tim will follow up with Mike Guyon on the condition, location and needs for benches

NEW BUSINESS:

Wall for “Wall Ball” at Buckland Park or elsewhere. Asher Flaum.



Asher from Brighton Boys Youth Lacrosse spoke about the proposed wall for use by anyone playing a ball type sport (lax, soccer, tennis etc...) at Buckland Park.

- Brighton Lax uses Buckland Park for games/practices.
- Buckland Park would be an ideal location.
- Helps build hand eye coordination
- Good for skill building
- Wall material??
- Does it need to be on pavement or grass?
- Could flank the tennis court so that one side could be used by tennis players and the other side used by other sports
- Size to be determined
- One was recently installed at BHS cost around \$25,000
- BHS wall is freestanding surrounded by grass. Brighton Lax helped to fund that wall.
- Brighton Lax has fundraising opportunities that could be utilized to help with the cost
- We need to look at available options and what is appropriate size wise, and financially
- Overall park planning should also be considered when thinking about this idea and placement
- Evaluate cost, location, funding opportunity over the winter and revisit in the spring

NEXT MEETING: November 15, 2017 9:30 a.m. Brookside

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