

**Village of Shorewood Hills
Parks Committee**
Meeting Minutes - APPROVED
Tuesday, March 26, 2024 - 5:30pm
Location: Virtually via Zoom

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Carol Barford called the meeting of the Parks Committee to order at 5:33 pm.
2. **Roll Call:** Present, in addition to Barford, were David Boutwell, Kathie Brock, Nancy Heiden, Roma Lenehan, Jeremy Rogers, Jan Tymorek, and Garden Club Liaison Mary Janet Wellensiek (6:03pm). Also in attendance were Village Forester Adam Lohrmann and Village Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Chrissy Kahl.
3. **Note compliance with open meeting law:** Kahl confirmed the meeting was properly posted.
4. **Approve minutes from February 27, 2024 Parks Committee meeting: Heiden moved, seconded by Tymorek to approve the February 27, 2024 meeting minutes with one typo change in the SWOT report, under weaknesses it should read “Lake Mendota Drive”. Motion carried.**
5. **Public Comments** - This is an opportunity for community members to speak to the Committee. No discussion or action may take place at this time and speakers may be limited to three minutes: No one from the public attended, so no one spoke.
6. **Monthly Forester’s Report:** Lohrmann added the following to his report as the information came after his report was submitted: the application for Tree City Membership was approved and awarded a Growth Award. Discussion included: native and non-native species; controlled burns; tree donation from Bird City event.
7. **Discussion of the recommended implementation plan (pages 97-100) within the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP):** Barford introduced this item. Boutwell provided information which included joint communication between the committee and the Village Board. Discussion included: how to prioritize recommendations; McKenna Park planning process in cooperation with the Recreation Committee; possible use of Vandewalle for engineering; Barford and Boutwell will represent the Parks Committee at the Recreation Committee meetings; ADA accessibility; boathouse is a top priority; signage at Karl Frantz Park and Four Corners Park.; Koval Woods weed management and adding native plantings-per Lohrmann these are normal ongoing tasks. Lohrmann said he has been talking with MG&E regarding funds to restore areas that were dug up during their project. Lohrmann will have recommendations for plantings in Koval Woods at the April meeting.
8. **Discussion of defining and mapping natural areas: Boutwell moved, seconded by Rogers to table this item. Motion carried.**
9. **Discussion and possible action on temporary fencing in Post Farm Park immediately before, during and after the All-City swim meet (August 1-3):** Lohrmann gave an overview. He had a walk through with the All-City event organizers. Discussion included:

putting up temporary snow fencing in identified areas to prevent damage by spectators and participants.

10. Future Agenda Items – This is an opportunity for committee members to request an item be added to a future agenda. No discussion may take place on any requested items at this time and committee members should not make lengthy statements on their request.

- Discuss future meetings in person, on location
- Four Corners Park Signage
- Planting plan at Koval Woods
- Defining and mapping natural areas

11. Next meeting date: Tuesday, April 23, 2024 via Zoom

**12. Adjourn: Brock moved, seconded by Heiden to adjourn the meeting at 6:37pm.
Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted by,

Chrissy Kahl
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer