

Parks Committee Minutes Village of Shorewood Hills

Monday, June 11th, 2018
Village Hall – 810 Shorewood Blvd

1. Meeting called to order at 5:33 pm by committee chair Anne Readel

- **Roll Call:** Members Present: Anne Readel, David Boutwell, Kathy Brock, Nancy Heiden, Roma Lenehan, and Sue Denholm. Others Present: Village Resident John Voegeli, Village Forester Corey George.
- **Compliance with Open Meeting Law:** The meeting was properly posted.
- **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from the April 9th, 2018 meeting were approved.

2. **Heiden Haus Renovation** – Updates and Discussion.

The ad hoc Heiden Haus committee is looking for additional feedback prior to moving ahead. Anne Readel distributed a list of updated goals for renovation of the Heiden House. Anne gathered feedback from the committee. Village residents are also encouraged to provide their comments to Anne or Tracy Kozoil.

3. **Harvard Drive (2900 Hunter Hill)**

A heavily wooded lot along Harvard Drive is planned for new home construction. The homeowner has asked permission to remove invasive shrubs and trees along the Harvard Drive public right of way. The Parks Committee discussed the scope of tree/shrub removal. The committee agreed it would be okay to remove the invasive shrubs along Harvard, but should hold off on tree removals until they are further assessed.

4. **Memorial Tree** – Discuss request.

The committee members were informed that a request for a memorial tree is no longer needed.

5. **Staffing Needs** – Address parks personnel and staffing shortage.

Corey presented a need for additional resources to support park and forestry maintenance. The committee discussed several ways to improve current and future staffing.

6. **Other Park Projects** – Updates

Corey provided an overview of ongoing efforts to maintain Four Corners Park. Several challenges include park access, entrance drainage, landscape maintenance, tree pruning, and shrub and tree removal. A site visit to the park was suggested.

7. **Resident Input.**

John Voegeli provided feedback on the Heiden Haus renovation.

8. Future Agenda Items.

- Four Corners pathway maintenance
- Oak wilt – large increase in the number of dead and dying trees

9. Forester's Report.

The monthly Forester's Report for April 2018 was distributed to the Parks Committee for their review and comment. The month of April included significant new tree planting.

Adjourned. The Committee adjourned at 6:52 pm.