

# **Parks Committee Minutes**

## **Village of Shorewood Hills**

Monday, August 12, 2019  
Village Hall – 810 Shorewood Boulevard

1. Meeting called to order at 5:36.
  - A. **Roll call.** Members present: Mark Lederer, Nancy Heiden, Jerney Rodgers, Dave Boutwell and Kathy Brock. Others present: Village Forester Corey George.
  - B. **Compliance with Open-Meeting Law.** The meeting was properly posted.
  - C. **Approval of Minutes.** Was postponed to a future meeting.
  
2. **Memorial Policy** – Corey followed up with the committee concerning the request by a non-resident to have a tree planted and plaque installed to honor a resident. He reported this might cost \$2,500 and initial estimate provided to non-resident was around \$1,000. Committee discussed what might be done to erect a memorial closer to the initial estimate. A sub committee was formed consisting of Nancy Heiden and Jeremy Rogers to review the committee’s memorial policy and pricing.
  
3. **Four Corners Path** – Corey described the problems with the worsening condition of the path at the entrance to the park from Sunset caused by stormwater runoff. He reported that he would discuss what cost effective options might be available to remediate the problem with the Village engineer.
  
4. **Salt Shed and Scout Shack** – The committee discussed restoring the native prairie plants to these areas and adding storage bins near the shed and the use of fill from Marshall Court. Concern was expressed over keeping weeds and maintenance costs to a minimum.
  
5. **Heiden Haus** – An architect has been retained to design a less costly/expansive remodeling of the building. Plans of the redesigned structure and immediately surrounding landscape should be available by the fall.
  
6. **Forestry and Parks Budget** – The committee discussed the current hourly wage of \$12 compared to a possible minimum wage of \$15. Concern was expressed about the need to be competitive. Corey was asked to follow up with the Personnel Committee regarding what competitive wages might be for similar season work. Corey was asked to bring the proposed 2020 budget back to the committee for further discussion once it was closer to completion. The committee discussed the process of ordering trees from the Village and concluded it was best to keep the process informal and without advertising.
  
7. **Adjourned at 7:00 pm.**