

VILLAGE OF BENTLEYVILLE
PARKS, BEAUTIFICATION AND FACILITIES
MINUTES
MARCH 13, 2019

ATTENDEES

Kathleen Hale, Chair
Lloyd Nagle, Service Director
Kathleen Esposito
Bonnie Goldston
Ken Kvacek

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:00 AM.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: The minutes of the December meeting were reviewed and approved.

SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- The Committee expressed its thanks for and approval of the Service Department's repair of the water damage to the ceiling of the Council Chamber;
- Branch pickup from residents' street front will be commencing now that spring weather is making it possible;
- Spring projects include the power washing of the exterior of the Village Hall;

Council rep Kvacek noted the large amount of fallen branches along Solon Road between the Daffodil Hill and the Solon Road Bridge. This is Metro Park property. The Service Department customarily removes fallen branches from the right of way (15' from the center of the road).

NEW BUSINESS:

- Parks Events: Already scheduled and proposed events for the 2019 Parks Calendar were discussed, and a tentative calendar is under development. A draft of the Calendar will be circulated at the next meeting.
- Members of the Committee were invited to join Kathleen Hale in meeting with a representative of the Chagrin Watershed Partners on the afternoon of March 13, to walk the Village Park and explore potential grant funding for conservation. Results will be reported back to the Committee at its next meeting.
- Regulations concerning Park use were discussed. The Law Director has been asked to research how Park regulation has been enacted in the past, and to advise and assist in drafting new regulations concerning foraging and removal of plants within the Park and the proper removal of pet waste.
- Kathleen Hale has suggested encouraging the planting of native, pollinator friendly plants in the public areas of the Village. She will work with outside organizations and experts to develop a Pollinator Plan, and present the Plan to the Committee, Council and the Garden Club of Bentleyville for approval. There will be an outreach to residents

to encourage awareness of pollinator friendly ideas. The Herb Society of America and the Xerxes Society, among others, provide certification of areas that are welcoming to pollinators.

- This might be a good time to ask Village residents how they see the Bentleyville Park, and what they might like to see. Everyone hates surveys, but the Committee will give thought to how to canvass residents for their opinions, and how to communicate better with residents overall.

NEXT MEETING: To be announced. Alternative meeting dates and times may need to be considered due to scheduling conflicts.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 11:15 AM.

MINUTES prepared and respectfully submitted by Kathleen Hale