

**Village of Lake Orion Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee**  
**Regular Meeting: Tuesday, September 26, 2023 6:30 p.m.**

**1. Call to Order by the Chairperson**

The Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2023 Regular Meeting of the Village of Lake Orion Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee was called to order at Village Hall by Rosemary Ford at 6:35pm.

**2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum**

Present: Chairperson: Rosemary Ford  
Vice Chairperson: Jody Hand  
Secretary: Cristy Garbacik  
Council Member: Teresa Rutt  
Member: Erin Crane  
Absent: Vice Chairperson: Jody Hand  
Vacancies: None

Also in attendance: DPW employee Jose

**3. Approval of Minutes**

**Meeting Minutes – Aug. 22, 2023**

By Erin Crane,

RESOLVED: That the regular minutes of the August 22, 2023 meeting of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee be approved.

Seconded by Rosemary Ford and adopted: AYES: 4; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1.

**4. Call to the Public**

No public comment was received.

**5. Approval of Agenda**

By Cristy Garbacik,

RESOLVED: To approve the Agenda of the Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2023 Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.

Seconded by Teresa Rutt and adopted AYES: 4; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1.

**6. Pending Business**

**A. Parks Maintenance.**

An updated parks maintenance needs list is presented on a word document **which is attached and incorporated as part of these minutes.**

Added:

-Swiss Village Park – rubber mulch per residence request

-Atwater Park – Son’s of the American Legion are donating \$400 for a basketball pole & net5

Removed:

-Children’s Park - stump removal due to erosion concerns

-Green’s Park – Electricity at boat dock due to tax dollars/profit of a contracted company

**B. Budget Review**

An updated budget list is presented on an excel document **which is attached and incorporated as part of these minutes.**

**7. New Business**

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**A. Green's Park beach mat and trees**

Rosemary contacted the Daisy Project who offered a beach mat at Green's Park. The ADA Mobi Mat only comes on a straight cut, so the diagonal measurement needed to be reevaluated before paperwork could be submitted.

The previous motion from August, requesting council to approve the purchase of trees and bushes for the parks, came back with Darwin McClary requesting we work with DPW to prepare a schematic of the proposed planting and cost estimate report. This would be required before the consideration of the motion be approved. The previous motion recommended...

Green's Park – One Sugar Maple tree (about \$500) to replace pine tree north of the U dock and closer to the water edge.

Children's Park – One River Birch tree (between \$250-625 depending on size) to replace the fallen tree on the north side of the Paint Creek by Cookies and Cream. One Sugar Maple tree (about \$500) to support bank stabilization on the south side of the Paint Creek by the gazebo. Three Spirella bushes (about \$50 each) to landscape next to the red slide to reduce erosion.

**B. Atwater Park Long Term Plan**

Removed from agenda at this while current projects are completed.

**8. Reports**

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**A. Master Plan Update**

Darwin McClary completed and submitted our master plan to the State. We are waiting for an update.

**B. Paint Creek Bank Stabilizing Options**

Teresa will discuss with Darwin our application with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). Additionally, we would like DPW to consider submitting an EGLE permit to allow us to place Coir logs along the Paint Creek. Especially in Children's Park close to the gazebo and in Meek's Park where the erosion is close to the sidewalk.

**C. Signage**

Erin Crane contacted the Klonke's with M&B Graphics to receive information on signs for the parks. She received a quote of 4 (2x4) aluminum signs for \$700. Swiss Village 2x4, Unger 2x4, Meek's 2x4, and Atwater 2x4. With DPW, we discussed the placement of the signs and the option of wooded frames being built. These signs would replace the current broken or worn signs. Additionally, a sign would be placed at the new pedestrian bridge at Meek's park.

**A motion** was made to request council to approve the purchase of four signs for the parks. Each sign would include the park's name and a picture of a dragon. These will be similar to the newer sign currently located at Atwater Park. Four (2x4) aluminum signs for \$700 to be placed at Swiss Village Park, Unger Park, Meek's Park, and Atwater Park.

By Teresa Rutt,

To request council to approve the purchase of four 2x4 signs for Swiss Village Park, Unger Park, Meek's Park, and Atwater Park for \$700.

Seconded by Rosemary Ford and adopted AYES: 4; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 1.

**D. Budget**

A six-year plan was discussed. In no particular order, the committee discussed the projects we would like to have completed over the next six years.

1. DPW – assigned for park maintenance
2. Atwater Park – Basketball court
3. Children’s and Meek’s Park – Bank Stabilization
4. Green’s Park – Retaining Wall
5. Children’s Park - Bridge
6. Green’s Park - Pavilion

**9. Items to Be Placed on Next Agenda**

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Pending Business

Parks Maintenance

Budget Review

New Business

Green’s Park beach mat and trees

Reports

Master Plan Update

Paint Creek Bank Stabilization

Signage

Budget and 6 year plan

**10. Date of Next Meeting**

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Tuesday, October 24, 2023 at the Lake Orion Village Hall.

**11. Committee Member Comments**

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**12. Adjournment**

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On a motion by Teresa Rutt, seconded by Erin Crane, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting adjourned at 8:56pm.

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Rosemary Ford, Chairperson

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Cristy Garbacik, Recording Secretary

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_