

# **Village of Chagrin Falls Parks Commission September 24, 2013**

Members present: deConingh, Lutz, White

Also present: John Brockway, Rob Jamieson

The meeting was convened in Village Hall Council Chambers at 8:40am.

## MINUTES

Anne made a motion to approve the August 29 meeting minutes as amended. Janna seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

## STAIRWAY TO THE FALLS

Rob reported that the reconstruction, as discussed at the last meeting, will wait until spring when it is likely that bids will come in at lower prices.

## RIVERSIDE PARK

Proposal by the Chagrin Valley Chamber of Commerce for the Western Reserve Antiques Festival on Labor Day weekend of 2014 – The Commission members and Service Department administrators agreed unanimously to recommend that this event NOT take place for the following reasons:

- Events in Village parks are for the benefit of non-profit organizations such as the Jaycees and Valley Art Center, not for-profit individuals such as antiques dealers.
- The Service Department does not have the manpower to set up and run the sprinklers for refurbishing the park, especially at this time of the year.
- The park would have just recently grown back into shape for passive use and other activities such as the Safe Routes to School event that takes place near the end of September.

\*Ben should communicate these conclusions to the Chamber of Commerce.

A streetlight near the stairway leading from the library into the park was knocked down by a runaway Village mowing vehicle. CEI will repair it.

Safe Routes to School, Friday, September 27 – The Service Department will be extending electricity to the area near the former skating shelter for The Cleveland Clinic hand washing site. It will also supply garbage and recycle bins.

#### TRIANGLE PARK

The Service Department will be repairing disintegrating pavers in the next few weeks.

#### FOUNDER'S FIELD

So far, no activity has been noted regarding the seeding of the lacrosse fields and the erection of the baseball fence. Rob is going to check again near the end of the month.

#### BEAUTIFICATION

The Service Department took down the hanging baskets yesterday. Rob and John sprayed the weeds in Riverside Park, Triangle Park, several downtown areas, and Cleveland Street.

The Beautification Committee will clean out the flower beds and urns on Wednesday, October 23; the rain date is Friday, October 25.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58am.

#### **NEXT MEETING:**

**October 22, 2013 at 8:30am in Village Hall Council Chambers.**

Anne deConingh, Chairman