

**Village of Chagrin Falls
Parks Commission
February 23, 2016**

Members present: Anne deConingh, Greta Insolia, Tod White

Also present: Mayor Bill Tomko, Service Department Head Rob Jamieson

The meeting was convened in the Village Hall Council Chambers at 8:35am.

MINUTES

Anne made a motion to approve the January 26, 2016 meeting minutes. Greta Insolia seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

FRANKLIN PARK

Unanimous approval was given for the proposed daffodil flower bed to be planted in Franklin Park. The Catsden Garden Club has asked the Service Department to dig the trench to prepare the area and then the garden club will plant between 300-500 bulbs.

RIVERSIDE PARK

Once again, a huge 'THANK YOU' went out to the Service Department of Chagrin Falls for replacing the fencing around the dumpster behind Chagrin Hardware. Anne noted some vandalism (silly string) of the bus shelter. Discussion was raised about increasing surveillance of the shelter. Suggestion of putting bike racks in the shelter proposed and will be part of a larger bike rack proposal at next month's meeting.

Discussion of the proposed ICE RINK in Riverside Park continued with all present agreeing that the next step remains gathering of specific cost and structural requirements for renting the equipment. Village resident Jim Bolton has inquired and is waiting to hear from numerous vendors with regards to the above.

TRIANGLE PARK

Concern was raised regarding shrub height in front of the bandstand looking north. The Service Department will consult with Anne and address this.

BIKE RACKS/CORRAL

The general location and type of bike racks needed in the village was discussed. The Parks Commission members will meet separately (2/27 @8:30am/muni lot) to develop a proposal which will include: location suggestions, size/shape of racks, budget.

BEAUTIFICATION

2016 dates: 9am start time

Clean up - April 14 (April 22/rain date)

Urn planting - May 18
Bed planting - May 19

WILDFLOWER SEED/SOD

Discussion of reducing the amount of grass mowing required in the Village by planting wildflower beds in various park areas: along the river between the sycamore and the steps in Riverside Park, Vincent Street arboretum, River Run Park, and other possible locations. More research (Chagrin Watershed Partners) needed with regards to the types of seed versus sod and cost/planting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40am.

NEXT MEETING:

April 15, 2016 at 8:30am in Village Hall Kitchen
Anne deConingh, Chairman