



AGENDA

Park Board

Ms. Gibson, Ms. Williams, Ms. Norden, Ms. Pierson, Mr. Fanolio, Ms. Luger, Ms. Devins, Ms. Wagstaff, Councilman Weed Dave Heinen (Heinen Lawn and Irrigation), Jesse Kirk (City Arborist)

There was some pre meeting discussion regarding recent security issues in the City.

October 5th, 2021, at 12:44 Meeting called to order

I. Welcome

II. Approval of Minutes from September 07, 2021-Minutes approved unanimously

III. Maintenance Reports

A. Dave Heinen, Grounds Maintenance Contract- While working on Verona Columns Paul Benson mentioned that thorough drive arounds hadn't been completed the last several years. Jesse said he would discuss with Jennifer when it was last done. Ms. Gibson opined that the creek banks in Hiawasse Park look great, Councilman Weed agreed. Dave noted that there was an abundance of yellowjacket nests this year. Ms. Pierson asked about the duckweed and fountains in Eisenhower Pond. Dave noted that it's hard to control with herbicide without damaging desirable plants. We will be lowering the water to do the shelf work and hopefully the new plants will help deplete the nitrogen. Overall, we need a more balanced pond ecosystem. We will begin pulling annuals and prepping beds next week.

B. Jesse Kirk, City Arborist- The shelf restoration on the east side of Eisenhower Pond will begin soon. We've been working to get the stonework completed on the island at Wenonga Rd. and Wenonga Terr. Jesse and Dave will get together to work out the irrigation as well as the urn drainage. Ms. Pierson and Councilman Weed both noted that they've fielded some complaints regarding the overall progress as well as weediness. Dave recently planted the three crabapples at 5 urn island as well as a few miscellaneous trees that weren't on the spring planting shipment.

C. John Mclenon, Rosehill Gardens- Not present.

D. Other Updates

IV. **Old Business**- Addressed during Jesse's Arborist update.

A. Wenonga Road/Wenonga Terrace Project

B. 5 Urn Island- 3 crabapple design

C. Eisenhower Pond Updates 1. East shore shelf improvements update.



V. Team and Special Project Reports

A. Mission Hills Homes Company (MHHC)- Ms. Norden stated that the teams' priorities lie in increased attention to Sunken Garden including adding some hydrangeas, lilacs, junipers and a Japanese maple as well as fixing some grading issues.

B. Tomahawk Road Homes Association (TRHA) – Rosehill provided a proposal to spruce up Four Seasons Island for \$2300. Ms. Gibson noted that Park Board has approximately \$4913 to split between both homes' associations. All approved.

C. Indian Hills Homes Association (IHHA)- Ms. Powell mentioned that there has been discussion at the homes association meeting regarding adding a taller flagpole to Flag Island to increase its visibility as the trees have grown. Jesse offered to look at options to prune down the trees to decrease their height. Discussion moved towards certified monarch gardens. Multiple members have maintained the ones in Loos Park, Jesse is going to research certification criteria as well as locations. Dave suggested the bed below the flags at City Hall. Ms. Pierson said there's been a suggestion by a resident to add Mission Hills sign and pillar as you enter the City at 66th and Mission Rd. The resident offered to pay for the design and present it at the home's association meeting. Ms. Gibson voiced that she doesn't believe the annual meeting is the appropriate forum. Dave said he had been approached about providing an estimate and is making it known to the Park Board. Jesse mentioned that the high-water flashers were being updated in that area. Councilman Weed added that the County is helping fund that endeavor, so we are at their mercy. Ms. Gibson pointed out that any available measures to discourage individuals or homes associations from engaging in design endeavors should be taken. Councilman Weed added that Park Board's job is to follow the masterplan design guidelines, not let individuals design projects to enhance their personal space.

VI. New Business

Ms. Gibson ended that the only real agenda item for the November meeting might be Shepherd Island at Tomahawk Rd. and Mission Dr. since it's now the only intersection being significantly altered during the Tomahawk project. If you see anything that needs to be addressed, be sure to contact Jesse.

Meeting Adjourns 2:27

Next meeting March 1st, 2022, at 12:30 p.m.