

MINUTES OF THE GRANT PARK COMMITTEE MEETING OF May 17, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson, Charles Marsden called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. at City Hall, 101 Green Street.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call the following members were present: Greibe, Jackson, Marsden, Miller, Moran, Robb and Smith.

Absent: Greiner & Holland

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Chairperson Marsden announced that there was a quorum of Committee members present to conduct business.

NEW BUSINESS

Minutes

Motion: Miller moved, seconded by Robb to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2019 meeting.

Discussion: None

Roll Call: AYES: All Present

NAYS: None

Absent: Greiner & Holland

Motion Carried

Public Comment: None

Inspirational Items: None

Update on the Fundraising Plan from The Galena Foundation: No update. Discussion took place on how to fund certain items from O'Bel Fund and old Cannon Fund at The Galena Foundation. Moran noted that some other donations might be in the works.

Discussion: Marsden previously prepared a cashflow model to coincide with the fundraising plan. The detailed analysis contained in the November 16, 2018 minutes is still accurate. The cashflow model is currently accurate and will not be updated until there is additional costing information available. Marsden to send current spreadsheet to committee members.

Discussion: Discussion took place regarding the Short Term and Long Term Projects List:

- Plaques will be installed by Vincent Monuments as soon as weather permits. Should have Gazette photo-op once installed.
- Kohlsaar entrance was discussed. Work to commence when weather permits. Possibly plant a red bud and maple to replace evergreens.

- Jackson Street entrance and Handicap Access will also be done as soon as park dries out. Bids received May 17 for HC access. Construction from 6/3 to 8/2.
- Rock Garden will be planted this spring according to David Greibe's plan. Paul Jackson has installed mulch and removed as much vegetation as possible. David estimates a cost of \$1,600 for plants that can come from O'Bel Fund. Kiwanis has volunteered to do the planting.
- Park Cleanup – Need to add dirt by pergola. Hydroseeding when weather permits.
- Discussed embankment situation, including erosion on embankment and around trees. Need to repair erosion and overseed as necessary. Possible hydroseeding project in the future.
- Will continue to pursue Johnson Street restoration. No update.
- Improved Signage and Wayfinding is scheduled for 2019. Concept of developing a map of Grant Park that can then be placed on the signage will be pursued. Map would point out highlights of the park and also features such as rest rooms, HC parking, etc. O'Bel stone near Kohlsaas Bridge could be moved to the Rock Garden. Suggested that we use Tracy Furlong's Country Fair map as the basis. Get proposal from Tracy. Possibly do six signs throughout park. Committee to identify items to be included on signs. Paul Jackson will investigate metal bases for signs. Map would also appear on City website.
- Pat Hahn will do maintenance work on gardens. Waiting for replacement plants to arrive. Will do plantings as well. David Greibe recommends continued use of the finer mulch.

Committee Member Comments: None.

SCHEDULING OF NEXT MEETING June 21, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall if weather has allowed work to start. Otherwise, hold off until July 19, 2019.

Adjournment

Motion: Jackson moved, seconded by Smith to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Discussion: None

Roll Call: AYES: All Present

NAYS: None

Absent: Greiner & Holland

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,



Charles R. Marsden
Chairperson