

**VILLAGE OF VALLEY VIEW
RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

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RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 15, 2015
7:00 P.M. Meeting

- I. Roll Call
 - A. Todd Von Ville, Director of Recreation
 - B. Janet Flaherty, Assistant Director of Recreation – ABSENT
 - C. Rocco Casadonte, Recreation Board
 - D. Mike Foote, Recreation Board
 - E. Jeff Grabel, Recreation Board
 - F. Debbie Hartman, Recreation Board – ABSENT
 - G. Don Paulson, Recreation Board – ABSENT
 - H. Dan Westfall, Council Recreation Committee Chair
 - I. Barb Drockton, Council Representative
 - J. Julie Jakubczak, Council Representative
 - K. Jeff Gabor, Groundskeepers Foreman
 - L. Todd Sciano, Donald G. Bohning and Associates
 - M. Tom Perk, Councilperson

- II. Elect President of Recreation Board for 2015
 - Rocco Casdonte was elected President of the Recreation Board for 2015 by a 3-0 vote.

- III. Service Department/Groundskeepers
 - No new items for the Groundskeepers were identified.

- IV. Gym Usage
 - Some residents have asked the Recreation Board to review the policies regarding gym usage by the teams from Cuyahoga Heights Schools, as well as travel teams in all sports. Some residents feel as though they and their children are unable to use the gym due to the use by school and travel teams. The concern was expressed following a “snow day” when some CHS teams used the Community Center since Cuyahoga Heights Schools were closed for the day. The travel teams and school teams understand that they can only use one side of the gym if there is another activity scheduled in the gym at the same time, or if a member arrives at the facility and would like to use the other side of the gym for “drop in” use. The Recreation Department will submit some recent gym schedules to the Board for its review, and so additional discussion can occur at a future meeting if the Board wishes.

- V. Project List
 - Todd Sciano of Donald G. Bohning and Associates attended the meeting to review options and answer the Board’s questions regarding potential projects.

- Sciano stated that the concrete work needed at Winik Field should be tied into dugouts or sun protection discussion with the Board. The Board discussed several options and determined that non-masonry dugouts are preferable. The Board would like Sciano to seek pricing for dugouts that include open spaces to allow for sight lines through portions of the structure, and also for air flow through the dugout. New benches may need to be purchased for the dugouts. The dugouts at Winik Field would be the first for installation since the concrete work is being performed at the site anyway, and the same design can be used in the future at Woods Field and/or Lombardo Park if the Board wishes to do so. Mike Foote asked why the concrete at Winik Field is in need of repair, and Sciano indicated that he believed it is a result of the drainage at the field, and that water froze and has displaced the concrete. Foote stated that the project should include underdrains under the new concrete, etc. in order to alleviate the same issue in the future. Sciano indicated that could be added to the proposed project, but was not represented in the original budget numbers. Based upon the recommendation of the Board, Sciano will solicit pricing for the dugouts and the replacement of the concrete and underdrains. The pricing will be presented to Council for approval at its February meeting in hopes of moving forward with plans for the concrete repair and dugout construction at Winik Field in the Spring of 2015.
- Sciano provided estimated pricing to the Board for the installation of turf on portions of the soccer field, or on the entire field.
- The options proposed for the wall by the gazebo in Valley View Woods are for repair of the wall, or complete removal with additional landscaping. The Board indicated that its preference would be to remove the wall entirely, landscape the hill, and review the need for some type of fence at the rear of the area since there is a sharp drop in the vicinity. Sciano indicated that the materials for the wall could be salvaged and utilized elsewhere if the Village would have use for them, and pricing would be solicited for both options, but the Board would like the Service Department to evaluate whether the landscaping could be completed in-house or would need to be added to the scope of the project.
- Sciano looked into the playground shading possibilities, and there are materials that are relatively simple in nature that look similar to wind sails.
- The potential for installation of four glass roll up doors at Pavilion A was also part of the Board's request. Sciano provided estimated pricing which would fluctuate depending upon the total number of doors that the Board may want to consider for installation.
- Sciano looked into the Board's request regarding the conversion of the current equipment shed in Valley View Woods to a concession stand, and the possible flipping of Woods Field to put home plate by the concession stand and to alleviate the water retention issues at Woods Field. The Board expressed concerns about flipping the field because it would put the evening sun in the eyes of batters. The Board instead prefers to look into what would be required to correct the water issues at the field. The past projects at Lombardo Park and the soccer field in Valley View Woods could be used as a starting point for plans at Woods Field with regards to leveling the field, adding drainage, etc. and creating a long term solution. This would include not using Woods Field for at least a year, which could be scheduled by using Lombardo Park more often. Sciano stated that he could provide estimated pricing for such a project at Woods Field.

- The Board received estimated pricing for lighting, scoreboard, and restroom adjacent to the soccer field. The estimated price for the restroom was based on duplicating the Pavilion B restroom style. However, the estimated lighting costs could be increased if there would be a need for power upgrades in the park.
- The possibility of paving sections of or the entire trail in Valley View Woods were priced. Sciano said that the challenge with paving would be the fact that some sections of the trail are narrow, making the paving process more difficult and time consuming due to poor accessibility for paving equipment.
- Sciano provided estimated pricing for a water play area for location in Valley View Woods or at the Community Center. Board member Rocco Casadonte stated that if Council is going to approve a water play area, his preference would be the Community Center location because the proximity to Pavilion A could create an issue in Valley View Woods. Foote stated that if the project progresses, there should be attention paid to how much sunlight would reach the proposed site(s) adjacent to the Community Center because shade from the building could leave some areas heavily shaded. Council Representative Julie Jakubczak said that she does not prefer the proposed location in Valley View Woods because of the proximity to roads, parking, and the possible elimination of more green space. Casadonte asked Councilperson Tom Perk if the location of the proposed water play area would dictate which funds could or would be used to pay for the project. Perk stated that he believed the play area could be paid for without the use of Recreation Account funds regardless of the chosen location. Perk also said that through his conversations with other communities, he has learned that the insurance costs associated with adding a water play area are not prohibitive. Perk also said that there would be related policies that would need to be considered for adoption, such as guest usage and fees, adjacent facilities like fencing, seating, pavilion, etc. Perk said that he would like to ask Council at its February meeting to grant permission to seek bids for a water play area, with pricing for both the Valley View Woods and Community Center locations.

VI. Information Update

- Recreation Fund Available Balance Update (as of December 31, 2014) from Clerk/Treasurer Carol Tomasko: \$323,498.41.
- Spring Soccer registrations (deadline March 1), Baseball/Softball registrations (deadline April 1), and Coaching Applications are in the lobby of the Community Center.
- Youth Baseball and Softball Clinics, as well as Pitching Clinics, are in the process of being scheduled for dates in the spring.

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 19 at 7:00 P.M. - Random Selection of Pavilion Lottery Positions - Village Hall

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS	LOCATION	CONDITIONS	APPROX. PRELIMINARY COST ±	NOTES
CONC. IMPROVEMENTS AT DUGOUTS	WINNIK FIELD (VV WOODS) WOODS FIELD LOMBARDO FIELD		BUILT ALONE	BUILT WITH MASONRY
			\$15,600.00	\$10,560.00
			\$13,400.00	\$9,240.00
			\$8,400.00	\$6,240.00
	TOTAL:		\$37,400.00	\$26,040.00
				*Includes removal and replacement of benches
SUN PROTECTION AT DUGOUTS	WINNIK FIELD (VV WOODS) WOODS FIELD LOMBARDO FIELD		MASONRY W/ FOOTERS & ROOF	SUN SHADES
			\$30,000.00	\$12,000.00
			\$30,000.00	\$12,000.00
			\$30,000.00	\$12,000.00
	TOTAL:		\$90,000.00	\$36,000.00
				*Total lump sum price to slightly decrease with the masonry construction of all 3 fields together
				*Sun shades are material only and include average size, custom sizes are available with price increase
TURF INSTALLATION @ SOCCER FIELD	GOAL MOUTH	*6 total goal areas	\$719,400.00	*Includes restoration
	ENTIRE FIELD	*Including buffer around the field	\$320,560.00	*Price per SF increases with decrease in area
GAZEBO RETAINING WALL	REPAIRS		\$17,500.00	
	REMOVE & EXCAVATE	*All materials taken off site	\$28,000.00	*Price for landscaping increases with slope excavation for buffer and restoration
PLAYGROUND SHADING	VV WOODS PAV A	6 Sails	\$36,000.00	
	VV WOODS PAV B	3 Sails	\$18,000.00	
	LOMBARDO PARK	4 Sails	\$24,000.00	
	MILLER PARK	4 Sails	\$24,000.00	
	REC CENTER	4 Sails	\$24,000.00	
	TOTAL:		\$126,000.00	*Material only
RETRACTABLE DOORS @ VV WOODS PAVILION A	ALUMINUM FRAME WITH TEMPERED GLASS	*Full view with tempered Glass	\$10,000.00	*Four (4) door openings @ \$2500/each
	CLEAR PLASTIC VINYL CURTAINS	*Custom designs including fasteners	\$4,000	*Thirteen (13) openings @ \$3003/each **Material only
RESTROOM EXPANSION FOR CONCESSION STAND	VV WOODS	*Includes three (3) openings	\$152,000.00	*No upgrades to existing restroom building, roof, siding, exterior, etc.
	VV WOODS		\$295,000.00	
BASEBALL FIELD REVERSE HOME PLATE	VV WOODS SOCCER FIELD		\$264,500.00	*Price EXCLUDES all First Energy fees for the power upgrades
	VV WOODS SOCCER FIELD		\$15,000.00	
LIGHTING SCOREBOARD	VV WOODS SOCCER FIELD		\$192,000.00	
	VV WOODS SOCCER FIELD	*Same finishes as Pav. B restrooms	\$239,000.00	*Price includes 10' wide trails
NEW RESTROOMS	ASPH. OVERLAY ON EXTG REMOVE AND REPLACE W/ ASPH.	*Given extg conditions are suitable	\$327,000.00	**Price to pave approx. 5000 feet of trails (VV Woods has a total of 8000 ft. of trails)