

Village of Ballston Spa Park and Tree Board Meeting Minutes

Virtual Meeting Tuesday 3/15//22

Meeting called to order at 7:04

In attendance: Liz Kormos, Ed Hersch, Michael Tower,

Motion to approve February minutes: Ed, second, Ray. None opposed.

Public comment: No public comment.

- Reviewed budget request for calendar year beginning 6/1/22. Those voted by this board for approval were:
 1. Purchase of a new sign for the entrance to Kelley Park-in keeping with the new pool sign which is being ordered by a separate entity this year.
 2. One basketball hoop to be installed in the old skate park area in Kelley Park-pending inspection in the the Spring/Summer, and approval by DPW and Village.
 3. Garden Club funding for multiple plantings in the Old Iron Spring park.
 4. Funding for tree removal to begin to remove trees deemed for removal by the tree inventory-completed by Certified Arborists from Davey Tree Company. DPW to take the lead in determining which trees take priority.

At this time a quorum was not reached re voting for funding to be used for the removal of bishop's weed in Wiswall Park. Further funding sources may be explored for this by Trustee Kormos.

- Mike is drafting an initial policy re planting of memorial trees and shrubs on village property. He asked for recommendations re appropriate tree species for Kelley Park.
- Memorial benches-a memorial bench was purchased by a former resident in honor of her parents who passed away. This person worked with the village officials in getting approval for this plan. The bench is due to arrive this March or April. DPW will install in Wiswall park as time permits this Spring or Summer. Mike to reach out to Jeff to see if he wants help with the install.
- Planning for Arbor Day-we will plant at least one street tree in the village, with a back up plan to plant a tree in Kelley Park. Kris will purchase the tree with funds from his workplace.
- Rotary and Lions have ordered a swingset to be placed next to the pavilion in Kelley Park. Ray is pursuing options to secure the proper woodchips that need to be in palce prior to installation.
- Trustee Kormos has continued to take the lead with the Tree Grant process. She will update us in our next meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Mike, second Ray, Ed.