

Minutes of Parks Committee meeting September 2, 2009

Present: Noel Bartlo, chairperson; David Hernandez, Al Hershberger, Dave Pennington, Matt Bierl, George Gates, Nancy Locke and Brian Geary, Village Board Liaison.

Minutes of the August 5, 2009 meeting were approved.

1. Noel Bartlo reported that the Village Board has approved the agreement with the Amherst Girls softball League for use of South Long Park. The board has also approved the layout for the new pathway and the gazebo design at South Long.
2. Noel reported that plans for the pathway are in the hands of Dave Sutton of Dean Sutton Architects of Depew for bidding on behalf of the village. Separate bids will be sought for a path from the Village Square Apartments to Milton Street and a connecting path to South Long. Also, alternate bids will be sought for three materials - asphalt, concrete and exposed aggregate.
3. Noel reported that RCP Shelters Inc. of Stuart, Florida, had set \$28,575 as the price for a metal 20-foot-diameter gazebo for South Long and \$19,056 for a wood version. The prices were judged too high.
4. Dave Pennington said he has received a rough estimate of \$11,500 for a wooden gazebo from Frey's Furniture, 9992 Main St., Clarence. Dave was asked to seek prices from at least three sellers so the committee can get a handle on what costs to expect. The committee still has to come up with money for the gazebo. These approaches will be tried: (1) Brian will explore the village budget for possibilities, (2) the Jolly Boys will be asked for help, (3) the federal grant for the path will be checked as a possible source and (4) Main Street businesses may be canvassed.
5. It was reported that Linda Juul, administrator, will be setting up a meeting with the Department of Environmental Conservation about controlling geese at Island Park.

Respectively submitted,
George Gates