

## VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

### MINUTES OF A MEETING

#### PARKS, PLAYGROUND & COMMUNITY SERVICES

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The Parks, Playground & Community Services Committee meeting of the Village of Brooklyn Heights, Ohio was held on July 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. with Mr. Blados presiding.

Present at roll call:	Council Members:	Berzins, Blados, Presot, Walsh
	Mayor:	
	Clerk/Treasurer:	Frank
	Law Director:	
	Engineer:	Henry
	Police Chief:	
	Assistant Fire Chief:	
	Fire Chief:	
	Acting Service Director:	Florjancic
	Building Commissioner:	
	Assistant Building Official:	
	Comm. Service Director:	
	Recreation Director:	
	Soccer Commissioner:	

GUESTS: None

The purpose of the Parks, Playground & Community Services meeting was to discuss lower park road repair. Councilman Blados opened the floor for discussion.

Engineer, Mr. Henry reviewed photos of the road that were distributed reflecting various options and the related estimates. He discussed the current speed bumps and the opinion is that they are not very effective. One photo reflected the prospective position of bollards along the pedestrian walking area. The bollards would be 42" high, concrete with a plastic sleeve.

Mr. Walsh inquired if the prospective location of the bollards would inhibit the service department to take care of the fields and Mr. Henry responded that they will be able to push them down.

Mr. Henry explained that there will be a dropped curb with a two inch reveal allowing the water to stay in that gutter line to the catch basin toward the bottom of the parking area.

Mrs. Presot inquired if the service department staff goes in front of or behind the concession stand to access the field and Acting Service Director Mr. Florjancic responded they go behind it. She further questioned the height and location of the bollards and if a speed bump could still be installed. Mr. Henry explained other options and referred to additional photos.

Mr. Blados shared what he saw in the park on a busy evening and inquired if there should be an unloading zone. Various scenarios were discussed and it was agreed that they cannot prevent any and all issues but want to make it as safe as possible. Clerk/Treasurer and former Rec Director Aaron Frank, shared that he feels the best way to keep this area safe is to have a police officer there for the start of the six o'clock and eight o'clock games.

Conversation continued on why the cars were stopping and how players and/or equipment were being dropped off. Fencing was briefly mentioned, the location, purpose and intent of the crosswalk and the limited seating area for spectators was discussed. Mrs. Presot shared that bollards were preferred to keep a car from accidentally entering the spectator area. Mr. Henry shared that in addition there will be a painted curb line creating a natural separation.

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Mr. Henry explained that the difference between the distributed options (all have the bollards, striping and the curb) is that one has the flashing neon stop sign and the other has a speed bump that extends the width of the road and is 8-9" high. There is a 10k difference in the two options. The estimated cost is \$180,000 which includes engineering, a 10% contingency, removing and replacing the pavement from the sidewalk to almost the concession stand and the whole hill in asphalt with a concrete curb. This would be done in the spring.

A timeline for the project, with the hope that it would be completed prior to the next baseball season, was discussed. There are several considerations such as the soccer season, the upper park opening date, and the possible change to the area adjacent to first base to create a spectator area. This led to the possibility of doing part of the project this fall and revisiting the remainder in the spring. This can be part of the current asphalt program

There were no further questions and the meeting was adjourned.

Joe Blados  
Parks, Playground & Community Services Chairman

