

**VILLAGE OF GERMANTOWN
PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES
DHEINSVILLE PARK
Wednesday, July 18, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:32p.m. at Dheinsville Park in the shelter. Chair Laszewski read the State Regulations regarding public meetings.

ROLL CALL: Present were Chair Laszewski, Commissioners Miller, Depies, School Board Rep. Tom Barney, Gray and Miller. Absent and excused were Commissioner Knop and Trustee Rep. Kaminski. Also present were Director Altergott and Secretary Lemke. Guests included Joe Recreation Supervisors Joe Masiarchin and Patti Heinen.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *Motion by Laszewski, seconded by Miller to approve the minutes as presented with the following stated correction; on page 2 under "Archery Range" change "ft." to "yd". Motion unanimously carried.*

PUBLIC INPUT: Jeff Dhein, President of the Germantown Historical Society stated that he would like to see more events at Dheinsville Park. Director Altergott stated that more park signage will be placed in the Village to make residents aware of Dheinsville Park.

VILLAGE BOARD/PLAN COMMISSION REPORT: (Plan Commission Report)
Commissioner Gray stated that she has been looking at other communities and states as why certain trees are better than others. Director Altergott spoke on behalf of Trustee Rep. Kaminski who was unable to attend. The Village Board is conducting the 2nd round of interviews for the new Village Clerk. He stated that the Recreation Department will be purchasing security doors through the facility fund at Kennedy Middle School to close off an academic area. (approved by the Village Board and the Germantown School District Building and Grounds Committee)

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT: Tom Barney stated that the Germantown School Board approved the installation of the security doors to close off an academic area to the public.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Director Altergott gave the following updates:

- The Village has put a watering ban on within the Village
- A father was teaching his child how to drive and drove through the fence around the football field at Friedenfeld Park

DISCUSSION & UPDATE – ARCHERY RANGE: Director Altergott stated that the DNR has approved the Park & Recreation Department grant for the archery range. The department started with \$2000.00 in donations from area groups and the DNR grant which is an additional \$2000.00. We now have \$4000.00 for development of the range. The Village Board approved the ordinance change allowing the firing of weapons in a park. An accessible path must be installed for ADA. There will be a 5 ft dirt barrier berm with trees placed on top of the berm behind the targets. There will be rule signs brought to the Commission for approval. Jeff Dhein, 25 Sportsmen Club, clarified that this range is for public use, not for their club. The targets will be high density, not bales of hay. Director Altergott stated that he would like to have the range completed by September 2012. Program Supervisor Heinen stated that she has submitted letters/grants to wildlife groups and area businesses looking for donations for the archery program.

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DISCUSSION - DHEINSVILLE PARK: Jeff Dhein questioned paving the pathways for the handicapped and also an approach area for bus drop offs. Director Altergott stated that this will be included in the 2013 budget. He is also working with the Engineering department to get cost estimates.

DISCUSSION – 2013 RELOCATION OF COMMUNITY GARDENS: Director Altergott stated that the community garden program starting with Washington County and Joni Whitehouse. The plots are currently located along the side of a resident's garage. The plots will be relocated further away from the resident's home and closer to the current blacksmith shop. Water will be run from the existing well to the garden area for gardeners and village employee's access only. Jeff Dhein mentioned that he has been contacted by someone looking for a place to do a "serenity garden". He stated that the current garden area would be perfect for the "serenity garden".

DISCUSSION & ACTION – FALL/WINTER 2012 FEES & CHARGES: *Motion by School Board Rep. Barney, seconded by Depies to accept the Fall/Winter 2012 Fees & Charges as presented. Motion unanimously carried.*

DISCUSSION – 2013 BUDGET: Director Altergott stated that the 2013 budget is on pace, 0% increase to the budget. Spassland shelter/bathroom will be in the budget, the 1991 Dodge Caravan needs to be replaced. Director Altergott is going place a used cargo van for the van replacement, playground at Dheinsville along with replacing the playgrounds that are 20 years and older. Director Altergott will put a priority list together for the upcoming budget and will bring it to the commission for discussion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF PUBLIC INTEREST:

ADJOURNMENT: As there was no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:58p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Lemke
Reporting Secretary