

Humboldt Park Friends General Meeting Minute

Meeting Date: March 4th, 2021

Time: 7:00 pm

In attendance – Ignacio Catral, Susan Catral, Patrick McSweeney, , Mike Bubolz, Dani Graf, Laureen Stirmel, Henry Szymanski, Steve Blank, Jane LeCapitaine & Lynne Goldstein.

Agenda: Meeting called to order at 7:01 and Agenda

Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report:

The Profit & Loss report from 02/08/21 shows an income of \$16,776.19

-less \$1,330.12 8% charge

-less \$1,748.66 expenses

\$13,697.41

\$13,121.34 Beginning Balance

\$26,818.75 Shown in General Balance

+plus \$ 2,320.98 3 Pay Pal amounts less the 8% not recorded in Profit & Loss Report

\$29,139.73 General Fund

-less \$ 1,184.22 Lagoon Fund

-less \$ 79.82 War Memorial

-less \$21,660.34 100 Trees for Humboldt Fund

\$ 6,115.35 General Fund

Membership Report:

Active membership is 134. With only one member gained from the Valentine Membership Drive, Marina and two new members from Tree purchases. The membership drive was too soon after the last one, and bad timing with the frozen tundra weather to be a success. Facebook is around 1,800 and Instagram around 1,300 followers.

Lagoon Restoration

Lindsay says that their architects would like to work with us but there is no money. The Lagoon Committee would just like to see the First phase approved. Henry asked if the committee needs approval to start work with the consultant? There could be hesitation because the park does not have enough staff to attend meetings. Lindsay will be sending the committee information in a day or two.



100 Trees for Humboldt:

There has been some movement on this project. Henry wants to make sure the the plantings will be done technically correct and would like to be at the plantings to help. He wants to make sure the tree roots are properly exposed and grafts are good. He is not so worried about the River Birch roots, as the Hardwoods which will be planted in the fall. The park staff with all the cuts are understaffed and Henry would like to be of service. Mike will check with Lindsay to see if Henry can help since he is very knowledgeable on the subject. The County has a pretty strict program on how it plants trees. The park staff decides where all the trees will be planted. The park is only planting a certain amount of trees at a time to make sure there is enough employees to take care of them.

There is a total of 72 trees, with all the donation parts of trees and whole trees, that have been donated at this time.

War Memorial Committee

There was no mention of the flag pole by Lindsay in the meeting. Mike says she is holding off on bugging the other parks. He will give her a reminder that the War Memorial Dedication is in May and if at all possible the new flag pole would be a nice addition.

Dani is going to e-mail the list of Covid safe activities that can be done as a family or as an individual for the dedication. The event will run from Sat. May 22 to Sat. May 29th. One suggestion is to plant a poppy on Friday May 28th for National Poppy Day. Lots of information is on our Web site for people to visit.

We need to make sure this Dedication is heavily publicized so people will be aware of the event.

Active Streets

Jeremy Fojut is on the Active Streets Committee and would like to do it again, possibly looking for a permanent location. Around the Lagoon and Playground area was a suggestion. The main issue is with parking, especially if Chill on the Hill returns. No data on that at the moment.

They would use the same plastic barricades as they used last year.

Last year we were not asked for any input.

The Beer Garden was busy last year. The little huts at South Shore are now busy.

We need to find out the date of the Beer Gardens opening day.

New Business

There has been increased coyote sightings around the park. Henry saw 5 in a family. The coyotes are increasing so be aware.

Iggy says that DPW is giving out Grans for traffic control and would we be interested in applying for one to control traffic between the Lagoon and the Pavilion? Iggy will get more details. There are traffic lights for people only so they can cross by the zoo on Bluemound. It was mentioned that it is hard to cross Howell and that a pedestrian bridge would be nice.



Andrew is looking for part time employees for some park positions. Iggy will put then on the Web site.

The Special Event Permit was filled out for the Tree Day Program. There will be no Corn Roast this year or Boccie Feast, to many unknowns.

Need to check on the Beer Garden opening and whether there will be Chill on the Hill.

Motion to adjourn was accepted at 7:51