

# Jenkins Park Advisory Board

## June 22, 2017

### Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Bill Bechtel, Woody Bowler, Bethany Ference, Gary Neumann, Peter Petrillose, Dennis Pokrzywka, Dan Richardson, Lynnette Ziskin.

The June meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

~The JPAB welcomed Bethany Ference and Chris Rakus to the Jenkins Park Advisory Board. Their terms are 5/30/17-12/31/21.

~The meeting minutes from November 30, 2016, March 22, 2017, April 26 and May 24 2017 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

~At our last meeting (May 24), Woody Bowler requested that we change our meeting night to any other than Wednesday. We have discussed/decided that we will meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday evening of each month for the remainder of the year.

~We will be paving the driveway and east side parking area in the fall. The parking lot will be roped off as no vehicles can use the new pavement for a minimum of one week. We will need signs stating that the park is closed to vehicles.

~4 Middle School volunteers will work at Jenkins Park this summer for community service hours. Jobs include: sprucing the southwest corner area and planting flowers, weeding the Memorial Area including the stone wall, weeding the newer playground area, raking stone dust onto the northwest portion of the Blue Trail, and raking new dirt around the pavilion.

~Recently at Jenkins Park, a spear/bow & arrow fisherman has been hunting the triploid grass carp living in the ponds. Although this is legal in NY State, we've request that the Town of Ballston seek to issue a referendum making this against Town policy. The fish are expensive, and since we stock the ponds with these carp for weed control, these fish are valuable to our ponds.

~For the past few weeks, Dan Zappolo has reported an increase in litter, including beer bottles, and clothing strewn about the park. The sheriff has been informed of this and has promised an increase in patrols through the park during the night time hours.

~Gary evaluated the condition of the ground surrounding the pavilion. He reported that we will need 3.1 cu yds of topsoil, topped with grass seed and starter fertilizer to repair the ground. We will perform this repair in the fall.

~Park District resident Caroline Casale has offered aerial photography of Jenkins Park. After some discussion, we agreed that Dennis will contact Caroline and determine how we can/will utilize her offer.

~Thank you to Bethany for offering to create a Face Book page for Jenkins Park.

~Haley Bros. Fence Co made repairs to the back baseball field fence (\$190.90) on May 23. Joe Haley has provided us with a quote for a chain link fence (\$2891.00) to replace the existing wood fence which needs annual repair and is currently broken. We have placed this item on our 2018 project list.

~Kevin McCarty treated the front pond for water meal and duckweed, and treated the area surrounding the perimeter of the back baseball field for poison ivy. We will readdress these situations in the early fall.

~Carlos Falcon would like to restart his Adrenaline & Fitness training program at Jenkins Park.

~Thank you to Daisy Scout Troop # 2083 who planted flowers at the front entrance signs on June 20. Beautiful job!

~The Annual Music Festival at Jenkins Park will probably not happen this year as the members of the bands are out of the country with a family emergency.

~The volleyball tournament scheduled for Sunday July 16 at Jenkins Park has been canceled.

~Consideration is being given to installing dog waste stations. Lynnette has asked for a volunteer to research options/estimates.

~Dennis will cut down some small trees behind the Memorial area.

~Bill Bechtel provided an update on our finances.

~The next meeting will be held on Thursday July 27, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

~The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.