

VILLAGE OF LYNDONVILLE
TRUSTEES MINUTES

May 22, 2017
6:00 PM

Trustees

Ron Aiken, Chair
Heather Bollman
Chris Hunter

Press

Public

Justin Smith
Steve Gray

1. Ron Aiken called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
2. Justin Smith requested to add LED and a request from the Chamber of Commerce regarding the Information Booth to the agenda.
3. Minutes: Heather Bollman made a motion to approve the minutes from May 8th, 2017. Chris Hunter seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.
4. Orders: The Board signed the orders for weeks 20-21.
5. Bandstand Park Request: Off the Beaten Trail Canine Facility requested the use of Bandstand Park for leash handling classes on Sunday afternoons from 1-2 pm starting on June 4th and ending on October 15th, 2017. Ron Aiken made a motion to approve the request. Chris Hunter seconded, and the motion was denied 0-3. There were several concerns stated regarding the request. The Trustees noted that Sundays in the early afternoon are busy with families having picnics etc. There are liability issues with allowing an organized group to train dogs on Village property it would be impossible for the Village to insure all dogs are licensed, vaccinated, and do not have behavioral issues, which would put the Village at risk of a lawsuit. Further, the Board noted the dog training could be held in other locations rather than tying Bandstand Park up for the entire summer every Sunday, denying others an opportunity to ask for and hold events.
6. Reimbursement Request: Justin Smith provided the Board with a request for the reimbursement of a pressure reducer and one hour of labor from Kathy Armstrong on Deer Run Lane. She claims her water pressure has dropped off and upon having a plumber come to complete a service call it was determined that her pressure reducer was full of sediment. After talking to a neighbor she learned that a year ago when we tested the hydrant on Deer Run the water we had an instance of water slam which required us to replace two pressure reducers in neighboring houses due their failure and the subsequent water which leaked into their basement. Mr. Smith noted that he had spoken with the Public Works Supervisor who stated in both instances the neighbors' impacts were immediate. He doubted that the plugged pressure reducer could be attributed a year later to that event. Chris Hunter stated the Village cannot approve a reimbursement when there is no way of knowing what the source of the issue was. If we approved requests like this we would be replacing parts all the time for users of the system. Chris Hunter made a motion to approve the reimbursement request. Heather Bollman second, and the request was denied 0-3.
7. Bandstand Park Landscaping Discussion: Mr. Smith requested permission to from the Trustees to remove the two islands of vegetation from Bandstand Park which have become nuisance issues. There is an island of bushes and trees at the northwest corner of the park and another near the gazebo which have become overgrown tangles that invite people to throw litter and use as a bathroom for dogs or themselves. Mr. Smith suggested that the islands be removed with the exception of attempting to save a Maple Tree in the island in the northwest corner and one cherry tree near the gazebo. In both cases the mulch islands would be reduced to a much smaller area around each of the trees. In addition, Mr. Smith informed the Board that a Canopy grant had been obtained to purchase four new trees. Mr. Smith noted

that there were two maple trees identified in the tree inventory on the south side of the park which were either in poor condition or identified as a hazard. The Village crew is prepared to remove both trees this summer and grind the stumps down. In the fall we would plant two new Maples to replace these trees. Chris Hunter made a motion to move forward with the removal of the islands and the replacement of the two Maple Trees. Heather Bollman seconded and the motion carried 3-0.

8. Depot Street Trees: Mr. Smith informed the Trustees that the other two trees from the Canopy grant will go toward two Japanese Lilac trees for Depot Street which will replace the lilac bushes that are overgrowing their space and whose roots are impacting the sidewalk. The lilac bushes will be relocated onto Tute Hill Charles Street area in or around the green space which we currently mow over there.
9. Information Booth Construction: Mr. Smith asked the Trustees if it was a problem for the Chamber of Commerce to have a construction dumpster placed in front of the Info Booth taking up two spaces for two weeks. The Trustees agreed that there was few options, they just wished that it could have waited until after Memorial Day when the parade takes place. Chris Hunter made a motion to approve the dumpster request with Chief Harris' okay for the location. Heather Bollman seconded and the motion carried 3-0.

Having no other business the meeting was turned over to LED at 6:35 PM.