

## **Community Life and Health Committee Meeting**

April 17, 2008

Horseshoe Lake Park

**Present:** E. Leiken, mayor; A. Foster, chair; P. Quinn, director of Community Life; J. Chaikin, CAO; B. Gleisser, Council member; citizen members M. Mulligan, P. Snyder, A. Jones

**Also present:** M. Casal, secretary

Mr. Foster called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Pam Quinn gave a tour of Horseshoe Lake Park. Phase I of the renovation is near completion. The cost of Phase I was roughly \$800,000.

A grant from the Hershey Foundation of \$20,000 with a matching grant from Horseshoe Lake Park funding will provide for a tree house to be built for children's use. It will be built low to the ground.

There is no cost to use the park and it is open to anyone because the lake is in Cleveland. One large pavilion accommodates 120-145 people and a smaller pavilion accommodates 50-75 people. Weekend reservations are on a first-come first-served basis. The large pavilion is booked for the 2008 summer. No reservations are necessary for the smaller pavilion.

Also built is a fossil pit, logs to climb on, swings, a climbing rock and a spider climbing apparatus—all for children. A boardwalk of Trek board goes alongside the park and to the old wading pool. The pool has been filled with mulch and currently there are no plans for its use as a pool.

A piece of art done by Cleveland Heights artist Debbie Apple-Presser was purchased. It is a large "spider web"-shaped wire art that will eventually hang between two trees. The cost of this was \$2,500.

The official grand reopening of the park is scheduled for Memorial Day.

Mr. Foster was reminded that the minutes from the previous meeting had not been approved. A motion was made to approve the March 20 minutes and was seconded. The motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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