

Parks and Public Spaces Committee Meeting  
5/21/2013  
Cockadoodle Café

Present – Lisa Campbell, Ola O'Dell

1.) Dog Park?

- Ola mentioned that she had spoken with someone who was interested in turning the property behind Bethel Mills into a dog park. Lisa noted that she had also been approached about the topic. It was agreed that it would be appropriate to find out the level of community interest in such a space, and that the committee could research the possibility of a community needs survey, similar to the one done by the Recreation Committee. Lisa volunteered to contact Elle Griffin to find out the details of putting out their survey. Putting out a survey may include both an on-line and printed format, and some form of publicizing the survey.

2.) HOBY group event at Peavine Park –

- This will be a group of about thirty five teens and their advisors. They will be at the park from 8:30 – 11:30 on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Their tasks will include transplanting day lilies to a more convenient location, knotweed elimination, and waterproofing the tables (the tops are becoming stained from use) weather permitting.
- Rotary will again provide drinks and snacks for the morning.
- There will be a couple of adults from the P&PS committee to support and guide the group.
- There will be a need for extra shovels, and hand clippers.

3.) Peavine Park Benches

- During Lisa's meeting with Del and Don, it was clear that the history of the memorial benches has faded with time. Lisa agreed to do some research to find out the origin of the benches
- A request put out on the Preserve Peavine page, received a response from Meggan Cantlin, who stated that one of the benches was supposed to be in memory of her grandmother's parents, but the plaque on the bench was erroneous. Lisa will mention this to Del, and try to figure out how to get the plaque replaced with the correct information.
- The other two benches are still a mystery, and Lisa will make further inquiries. Ola suggested speaking with Carrol Ketchum.

4.) Upper Church Street Triangle

- Still needs a volunteer to tend it for the summer.

5.) Bed near Richardson's

- Ola noted that there was supposed to be a student who was going to do spring prep on the bed, but it doesn't appear that anything has been done. Ola will speak to Sandy Barry.

5.) Fort Fortitude

- Needs to be thinned out, and the committee would like to mark the shrubs to be cut in order to preserve the flowering shrubs that were planted by community members when the park was initially established.

6.) June's meeting agenda

- Discussion of proposal request from Del regarding the garden beds at Peavine.
- Planning for August P&PS Community Potluck.
- Review HOBY event at Peavine. What went well, what to do differently?
- Plan proposal for Japanese Knotweed removal at Peavine Park.
- Additional business

Adjourned at 7:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Campbell  
Parks and Public Spaces  
Chair