Montebello Parks Commission Thursday, September 14, 2017 Montebello Village Hall

Attendees:
Amy Rapoport - Chairperson
Howard Hochberg
Josh Goldstein
Robert Israel
Maureen Danzig
Tony Piazza

Absent: Warren Berbit, Esq.

Meeting was called to order at 7:45 PM

The minutes of the June 8, 2017 meeting were approved unanimously

The minutes of the July 6, 2017 meeting were approved unanimously

Discussions were held on the following:

Ponds Park - All work that was scheduled and budgeted for this year was completed with the exception of a bench. Next year the pavilion is scheduled to be stained in the spring. Treatments were not used on the Ponds this year. Permits with the DEC should be applied in early May. If we would like a new vendor, that should be done in January. More garbage pails are needed or they should be moved to better spots, like by the pavilion or the bench.

Train Trails - Should look up Treasures of NY on PBS to find out more about Rails to Trails - There may be funds available for a trail. Josh to follow up.

Invasive Plants - Josh updated the group about the Cornell Website. Discussed other village / towns having information sessions. There appears to be many issues in other places with water plants in lakes and with residents dumping fish tanks into lakes.

Spring Newsletter Josh to gather information on invasive plants
Maureen to write a piece about the daffodil project and suicide prevention
Josh to gather information about rails to trails

Cemeteries - Howard shared information:

They are historic, designated but not protected. We may not be allowed to touch the headstones as far as fixing and cleaning - will need more information. We can clean up the plants. We will reach out to scouting troops, Howard and Amy to follow up with Boy Scouts, Maureen to follow up with Girl Scouts. Amy to get a quote for a fence for the Rt. 202 Cemetery, Tony to get a quote for removing the tree on the Viola Cemetery property.

Signage - Amy attended the village board meeting about the signage at the Thruway exit / entrance. The mayor will follow up.

Next Meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 5, 2017

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by Maureen Danzig