In Attendance: Tina Swanson (Chair), Dick Heiger, Dwight Mullinix, Beverly Blatchford, Karl Munder, Ashley Collier, Guest - Doris Wilcher

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M.

Approval of Minutes: September minutes were approved as amended.

Chairman’s Comments:

- Tina Swanson welcomed Doris Wilcher and thanked her for her help in the gardens at Wildwood Park and the Village Gate tennis court parking lot area.

Councilman’s Report:

- Karl Munder reported that the council passed the ordinance that allocates 1.1 policemen per 1000 citizens.

Communication and Events Director Report:

- Ashley Collier reported that the Watkins Park men’s room mirror had been broken and should be fixed by now.
- The materials for the Summit Ridge repair have not arrived.
- The Twin Arch Crossing replacement basketball court tiles were received and should be installed this week.
- The Historic Train station project has been completed.
- Hometown Heroes banners will be going up this week.
- Downtown Trick or Treating will take place October 24.
- Rails to Trails has been decorated with animal figures for the Halloween safari walk.

Unfinished Business:

- Tina Swanson reported that the order for the 2020 town holiday ornament has been sent to the manufacturer. The Historic Society will sell some of the ornaments.
- Commission members installed new gardens at the Wildwood Park point and next to the parking lot at the Village Gate tennis courts.
- We are waiting to hear from Parks and Recs and Tim Richards concerning our vision for replacing the 2003 Reforestation project in Wildwood Park.
- Tina Swanson will purchase 5 native trees for the dog park. We will plant them October 29 starting at 10:00.
- The proposed mountain bike trail in Windy Ridge was discussed. There is concern that users will need to be educated to stay on the trail so as to not damage the area.
- The butterfly circle garden in Wildwood has been emptied of all usable plants and Brian Johnson has been asked to clear the garden of all remaining plants.
- Brian Johnson has been asked to remove the ornamental grasses from the Prospect Park sign garden.

**New Business:**

- Jacob Bloch presented his Eagle Scout project consisting of a large checkers board made of separate tiles and a box for storing the checkers. It will be located in an area of Summit Ridge Park where it will not be washed away by floods.
- We voted to spend $700 - $1000 for a picnic table for Vest Pocket Park.
- We voted to purchase 8 more flagstones to put under the swings in Wildwood and Vest Pocket parks. Dwight will buy them at Irwin Stone and submit the bill to the town.
- Holiday decorations at the train station and the caboose are to be put up November 14 starting at 11:00. The Wildwood Park decorations will be put up November 15 starting at 10:00.
- Ashley Collier reported that a survey of senior citizens concerning the proposed exercise equipment for Wildwood Park had 7 positive results, 3 negative and 1 adamantly negative.
- Ashley Collier reported that budgets are due February 5.

Next meeting is November 17 at 7:00 via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Beverly Blatchford, Secretary