

Shawneeland Sanitary District Advisory Committee
Minutes of August 1, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm.

Those in attendance were Lynn Schmitt, Michelle Landon, Jeff Stevens, Barry Vanmeter, Kevin Alderman, Michelle Springer, and 9 people in the audience. Marianne Biviano was absent.

Lynn called for approval or corrections to the May 2, 2016 meeting minutes. Michelle L. made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Jeff seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business: The SSDAC had no new business to discuss.

Old Business: The SSDAC had no old business to discuss.

Public Forum: Ruth spoke about the Clowser House. She presented a map of the Clowser House that showed the property of the house in a rectangle instead of a square. The new map does not include the ball field or the golf greens. The Clowser House Committee is wondering how the SSDAC feels about selling the new parcel with an easement of the parking lot. The easement would be that Shawneeland would maintain the parking lot. Barry would like to see what the planning committee comes up with in regards to the house, selling half of a section of the golf course as well as part of the dam and fishing part of the lake. Michelle L. says she isn't interested in selling the property at all. Lynn asked if there are any ideas as to what is going to be done with the Clowser House. Ruth said they are looking at a lot of different options but there is still more information that they need to get before disclosing those ideas. Lynn said she is concerned about the ball field and the parking lot. Even with an easement, she feels that there will still be issues. A resident raised a question that once the SSDAC made a decision that they didn't want to sell the Clowser House and tabled it. And it went to the Frederick County Planning Commission that the SSDAC was out of it? The response was that it will be up to Frederick County to make the final decision but the Clowser House Committee wants to try to appease everybody involved.

Ruth asked if there is any way to just get replacement pieces for the Maple Trail playground. Kevin said that they had checked on that at one time. Most of the pieces are pretty old and are obsolete. You can still get them but they are extremely expensive. Kevin would recommend getting rid of the plastic and going with something that is more durable like what is at the Tomahawk Trail playground. It was asked then what is the plan for the playground equipment? We will keep the swings and the slide and add a merry-go-round. Ruth asked that it be on record that the merry-go-round is a very bad idea due to safety concerns.

Ruth brought up that a year ago she mentioned about fixing the rock wall at the entrance of Shawneeland and the wall going up towards the Tomahawk Trail playground. It looks bad and she would like to see it fixed. We would have to hire a stone mason to do the repairs and they are not cheap. The maintenance staff is not capable of doing the stone work. Kevin stated that he will get price quotes if the SSDAC wants him to do that. It makes the community look run-down.

Ruth asked if it is possible to get the Tomahawk Mailhouse power washed.

A question was asked when Verizon is going to transfer to the new pole lines. SVEC replaced the poles and Verizon has not hooked up to the new poles yet. Comcast is in the process of making all the necessary repairs and cleanups from the installation process. It will be a couple months before it is all cleaned up.

A comment was made that he had a tree on a Verizon line about a year ago. Verizon would not take care of it. So you contact the Frederick County PR person, they are able to carry enough weight to get Verizon to take the trees off the lines. It took 4 months to get it removed.

Laurie spoke about the pollinators. There is a free paper that is in Walmart, it is called Frederick County/Clark County News. She wanted to thank her for putting out such a nice article about the bees and they started talking about the pollinators. Laurie mentioned what Shawneeland is doing with the pollinators so she wants do an article on Shawneeland and the pollinator strips. Kevin spoke with the woman today actually.

Ariel gave a report on the 1st Community Yard Sale: It went off without a hitch. \$218.25 was the total raised. There were about 12 vendors. Ariel sent an email to the SSDAC with links of park style grills and accessories. Once approved, he will order the grill/accessories and have sent to the Shawneeland office. The maintenance staff will install the grill. A comment was made about a sand bucket or fire extinguisher being attached for emergency purposes.

Manager's Report: Kevin gave the manager's report. We are currently ditching and cleaning pipes on all the trail's that will be tarred & chipped. I am supposed to have a meeting with the awarded contractor hopefully this week to discuss start dates. As soon as we know, we will post a flyer at the mailhouses so the residents will know what trails are being done and when the start date is. The crew has installed 89 new sign posts, 75 new stop signs, and 257 new trail signs. We are not quite complete but we will finish up in the fall. There has been a stop sign placed in some areas where there wasn't a sign beforehand. Unfortunately there have already been 25 signs stolen or broken. If you see anything going on please call the office or the Sheriff's Office. The beach has tested extremely clean this year. The water is tested weekly. We test the water for E. coli. The parts per million can be up to 235 and the highest we have tested this year is 58. So the water has been very clean. A new beach rules sign was installed. The sign has bigger lettering and stands out more. In October we will be concentrating on getting the snow equipment ready and getting the supplies needed for the first snow.

Comments Concerning the Upcoming Winter:

A question was asked with winter coming are there any suggestions that would help out the maintenance staff? The biggest thing is for residents not to park in the road or along the right of way. Another suggestion would be to stay off the road as much as possible till cleared.

Another question was asked if there are still pull-overs and the emergency parking. The pull-overs are still there and the emergency parking is still available. Should we establish more pull-overs? Residents do utilize the emergency parking which is great. Kevin thinks the biggest issue is that people want to get out and drive, then they get stuck and we can't get around them.

Lynn made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Michelle L. seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:32pm.