**Park Board Partnership Subcommittee**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, October, 2021, 9:00 a.m.**

**Held via Zoom, Virtual format**

**111 S. Geyer Road**

**Kirkwood, MO 63122**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Kathy Paulsen (Chair), Alvin Reid, Jordan Wienke, and Matt Cook, and Parks and Recreation director Kyle Henke.

1. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**
   1. None
2. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
   1. Minutes from June 11, August 6, and September 9th were approved.
   2. Alphonse Smith Memorial Update: Alvin Reid reported that he has spoken with Dianeteea Smith and the plan is to dedicate the memorial at the beginning of baseball season in Mid-April.
   3. The fundraising goal is $1400.
3. **NEW BUSINESS**
   1. Greentree Legacy Program Memorial Benches:

Kathy asked what the difference would be between the purposes of the potential Foundation and the Greentree Legacy programs. Alvin said that the Foundation is a way to raise money for a special project. The Greentree Legacy Program pertains to buying a bench or something specific, as offered in the brochure. Alvin recommends that the Foundation work with the Park Board, and that “the ask” comes from the Board. The Legacy program is a recognition in someone’s name.

Jordan commented that there are “three buckets” for donors – one is the Park Foundation, another is the Greentree Legacy Program, and the third is the path to Memorialization. Kyle explained that the Memorialization path is something like what we’ve done for the Alphonse Smith Memorial and is done by application to the Park Board, and has an indefinite term. Jordan stated that Legacy program is a memorial to someone who is departed, but is not an extension of the burial and is not in perpetuity.

Kyle said that we need to consider that Legacy donations are for things other than benches and should be based on the “lifetime of the equipment. By doing that, we can open up opportunities for additional donation items. He recommends that items costing less than $4000 can be considered under the Legacy Program. He will look at the price tag of several items that have been recommended. The benches, as well as other equipment, can remain until they are deteriorated. When a bench is deteriorated, it can be replaced. He recommends that current applicants are allowed a one time renewal, granted to the “original applicant”. New applicants would not have an option for renewal. Kyle said that the time frame for the memorial item should be tied to the piece of equipment and its memorial ending when the equipment fails.

Kathy suggested getting more citizen input on possible items that the Legacy program could offer. Jordan said that input should be ongoing.

The Committee voted to move the current proposal forward to the Board for consideration.

1. **ADJOURNMENT** – Committee adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Submitted by Kathy Paulsen