

Silver Lake Commission
July 19, 2023
5:30 PM
In person & Via Weblink

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Members Present

John DeMarie
Kathy Doyle
Marie Kozel
Michael Lewis
William Satchell
Joan Winters

Staff & Guests

Bryn Wambaugh, City of Dover Environmental Scientist
Carolyn Courtney, Parks & Recreation Staff
Robin Eaton, Director Parks & Recreation
Mcpl Nathan Garey, City of Dover Police

WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM

MEMBER & STAFF INTRODUCTION

Everyone gave a brief introduction of themselves.

DOVER POLICE – PARK REPORT UPDATE

Mcpl Garey reported not a lot of crime reports were noted on the call logs. There was a massive unsanctioned party on April 25 and in June a similar incident that was more of noise complaint. Mr. Garey noted he would ensure the gates are being locked and opened accordingly and officers would ensure the park is closed at night. Patrols would continue in the park to keep an eye on issues should they arise.

DELAWARE LIVABLE LAWNS

Ms. Wambaugh gave an overview of the attached materials and how to make Delaware Livable Lawns a successful program. So discussion took place on the 6 step process and how to best apply measures to keep lawns healthy and not pollute the lake or environment.

RIPARIAN BUFFER FOR THE CAUSEWAY

Mrs. Doyle reported that the causeway is full of invasive species. After review, it was noted the Public Works Department would need to address the issue. Ms. Wambaugh was asked to discuss with Mr. Nowak (Public Works Director). She will report back to us in November after following up accordingly.

UPDATE ON SILVER LAKE PARK PROJECTS & MAINTENANCE CREW UPDATES

Mr. Eaton reported on the

MAYOR'S REGATTA & LAKE DRAW DOWN DATES

Ms. Courtney reported the Lake Draw Down dates are set for October 9 – 20, 2023. Lake adjacent property owners and licensed boaters have been notified with the annual letter announcing the draw down dates.

Ms. Courtney noted finding kayaks/canoes for the event has been a challenge. The vendor previously used for the event is no longer providing this service. Updates will be forthcoming.

OTHER BUSINESS

Renaming Parks

Ms. Kozel noted a request from Councilwomen Arndt, to assist in developing framework/guideline for “naming” a park. There has been some recent inquires on changing the name of current parks to memorialize members of the community. At this time, the city does not have guidelines. If you have ideas or suggestions, please send them to Ms. Kozel.

Hawk Light

Ms. Winters noted the crossing at Division Street (leaving Silver Lake Park and following the Capital Bikeway) is dangerous. She inquired about the possibility of a HAWK Light, or something the cyclist & pedestrian could use for to offer a more safe option when crossing at this intersections. (Division ST/Park Drive/King HWY). It was suggested reaching out to DelDOT for potential support and how to best offer assistance crossing the road. The City does not have control over implementation of an additional light/crossing mechanism.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 PM.

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** Audio on this meeting has been corrupted. Minutes are primarily from notes taken. **

Delaware Livable Lawns

Presentation by Bryn Wambaugh



Did you Know?

The EPA considers stormwater runoff from yards, streets, parking lots, and other areas to be the most significant sources of contamination in our country's waters.



About Delaware Livable Lawns (DLL)

â DLL Aims to:

- â Certify lawn care companies that follow environmentally-friendly practices in fertilizer application
- â Provide Homeowners with the necessary information to make small changes in their lawn care practices so we can all be better stewards of our environment



Delaware Livable Lawns (DLL)

For Homeowners

- â Provides information and resources on managing a healthy lawn while preventing fertilizer runoff
- â Sign up for a free soil test kit and reporting sheet
- â Cost savings from using less fertilizer

For Professionals

- â Become a certified business
 - â Treat customer lawns using the DLL method
 - â Distribute DLL educational material
 - â Must keep records of soil tests and submit maintenance information annually



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