**Meeting Details:**

**Date:** 10/15/24

**Time:** 6:00pm – 7:30pm

**Board Present:** Kevin Richard, Melody Seaton, Willie Johnson,

**President:** Willie Johnson

**Off-Board Member:** Regina Brown

**Special Guests:** Edgar Deisch, Village of Matteson Public Works

 Anthony Burton, Village of Matteson Administrator

**Absent:** Victoria Hill, Patrick Peterson, Regina Brown

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Our meeting began at 6:05 PM.

Edgar Deisch addressed security issues with no lighting on Colgate and the park we’ve been promised.

Lighting - field mice got in the pole and chewed up the wiring, so the LED head needs to be replaced on Colgate and Liberty. They will try to rebuild those lights until the ordered ones are in. The one that’s down will be back up probably by tomorrow. Willie asked if the Village could hang signs Patrick provided on the poles that would deter loitering and parking at night for illicit behavior. Edgar said they could and that they also have neighborhood watch signs that can be posted. Edgar was informed that someone moved the horses Gordon had placed in that area. Willie asked if they provide concrete barricades instead and once again the answer was yes. Edgar also suggested placing the current light pole behind where the barricades would be with stronger lighting. He will get working on the signs tomorrow and possibly get the pole lying down tomorrow afternoon.

Park – Edgar knew nothing about the park. He did find out that the Gazebo should be delivered tomorrow or Thursday. Edgar has the schematics for the park but doesn’t know if a contractor has been designated. He asked for a day or two to get some clarity on the particulars for the park.

Anthony Burton, Village Administrator joined the zoom to confirm that the park will go forth since the gazebo is in. He mentioned that Gordon has been out ill due to a heart issue and can’t be consulted about any work- doctor’s orders. He also tried to suggest the reason the park hadn’t been completed is because of Gordon’s illness. That fallacy was shut down. Willie asked Burton about the two lots to see if we could purchase them. He said the village must go through the redemption process and it could take about two years for this to happen. We asked for this process to begin so the park could be expanded. We would gift the lots to the Village, and it would become their responsibility. Burton said he would need to consult the attorney.

Budget - Kevin discussed the Budget. Since we all received a copy, it wasn’t necessary to go line by line. He pointed out the three portions and how the excess would be a gain over last year. – We decided to table a vote on the budget since two of our members were absent. We will have this vote via email.

Benevolence – The Board needs to address how much to spend on flowers, in what instances and will this only be for our neighbors or those outside of the subdivision. There was brief conversation about past practices, but it was determined that a new conversation needs to happen.

Attendance – We’re asking that Board members alert the rest of the Board when you won’t be able to attend meetings. We realize things come up, but we would like to get our meetings started on time and that can’t happen if we’re waiting on members that aren’t able to attend.

Holiday party – There are 41 people that paid. It was suggested that we place information on the doorknobs of the homes we have no way of contacting to ensure the number needed. We also discussed the need for regular meetings to begin planning.

Meeting concluded at 7:16PM