Minutes of Friends of Matthias Baldwin Park Meeting: 5/4/2017 7:00 – 8:10 PM at the Tivoli Community Room

Attendees: Stan Ordo, Jan Roberts, Joan Markoe, Bob Strunk, Dorothy Gray, Sandra Owens, Frank Feingold, Mary Feingold, Joan Applegate, Joe Walsh, Jackie Wolf, Beth Shay, Jim Fennell, and Grace Hanrahan.

Jim Fennell moderated the meeting.

Minutes of the 4/6/2017 meeting were approved.

Calendar of Events:

Next Meeting: Thursday June 1st at 7 PM

Park Cleanups: Saturday May 13th from 10 – 11 AM (Love Your Park Day)

Saturday June 3rd from 10 – 11 AM in preparation for "Parks on Tap".

Baldwin Park will host "Parks on Tap" from Wednesday June 7th through Sunday June 11th. The food and bar trucks will be set up on the 18^{th} Street side of the park. Baldwin Park will receive a percentage of the sales with a higher percentage of 50% from the Wednesday night event from 5-7 PM. Last year, Aviator Park received about \$4,000 from the event. This is the schedule:

Wednesday + Thursday 5 – 10 PM

Friday + Saturday 1 – 11 PM

Sunday 12 – 10 PM

Here's the link:

https://myphillypark.org/what-we-do/programs/parksontap/?mc_cid=10c9629829&mc_eid=15dddce237

Sandy Owens contacted AeLin Compton, our parks new Community Initiative Specialist, about the publicity for the event. Jan Roberts volunteered to post it on the Franklintown Next Door website. Beth Shay reported that last year the Schuylkill Trail had signs posted about 2 weeks before their event. The annual "Picnic in the Park" will be held informally at "Parks on Tap" on Saturday June 10^{th} from 1-3 PM with our purchasing food and drinks from the vendors. Sandy Owens suggested that we update the FOMBP brochure and have it available at the event. Grace Hanrahan received approval for the purchase of 2 plastic brochure holders which could be affixed to the Baldwin Park sign posts.

Jan Roberts has received the doggie bag dispenser. Jason Mifflin, our former Community Initiative Specialist, is storing it and will arrange for its installation.

Stan Ordo volunteered to research the cost of tree identification tags which would show both the common and Latin name of the tree.

They have re-seeded the bare area near the construction site and grass is starting to appear. Jim Fennell sent an email about the loose gravel which needs to be cemented into the pathway.

Jim also checked with Bob Sutton on the status of the Stop Sign Petition for 19th & Hamilton Streets. We are waiting for approval by Darrell Clarke.

Sandy mentioned that she would be attending the Parks Friends Network Meeting on 5/10/17 with Grace and Stan at the Horticultural Center. There is a buffet dinner at 5:30 PM followed by the informational meeting from 6:30 - 7:30 PM. Each park can send 3 members. The next meeting is 8/30.

Other Neighborhood News:

Jan Roberts said that the dog park at 19th & Greene was delayed until May because of fencing issues. It is possible that dog owners south of Spring Garden may be able to join at a higher fee. LSNA was met to discuss a dog park at 22nd & Vine Streets in front of the old Board of Ed building which would be built in a couple of years.

Construction work on the parkway should be completed by September in time for its centennial celebration.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Submitted by Grace Hanrahan