Minutes for Friends of Matthias Baldwin Park meeting of 3/3/16 at Tivoli Community Room 7 PM

Present:

Members: Joan Markoe, Mary Feingold, Paul Shay, Joe Walsh, Beth Shay, Sandy Owens, Jim Ruddick, Jim Fennell, Joan Applegate, Grace Hanrahan, Stan Ordo, Mel Seligsohn, Andrew Zaruski Special Guest: Jason Mifflin, Community Initiative Specialist, of Parks & Recreation, who is the Stewardship Coordinator for District 5 which is where Baldwin Park is located.

February meeting minutes were approved There was no change in the treasurers' report: \$3,103.

Forest City, the developer of Museum Towers, is planning to have a rededication ceremony of the park with Darrell Clarke attending, on a Wednesday night at 5:30 PM in late May or early June. They expect to have a tent.

The March clean-up was scheduled for 10 AM on Saturday 3/19.

The restaining of wall mortar during **Love Your Park** activities will take place on Saturday 5/14. Stan Ordo will check into the shade that was used previously.

A motion passed to donate \$1,000 for new plants. Jim Fennell will check if it may be cheaper to purchase plants through the Park Conservancy or directly from a nursery.

In order to submit documents to maintain our tax exempt status, Paul Shay needed to confirm our current officers. Motions passed unanimously to re-confirm or elect our officers:

PresidentJim FennellVice-PresidentPaul ShayTreasurerJim RuddickDirectorsSandy Owens and Joan ApplegateSecretaryGrace Hanrahan

The annual Picnic in the Park was scheduled for Saturday 6/11/16. Jason Mifflin suggested that if we expect more than 50 people, we should obtain a permit which costs \$25. The permit provides liability insurance. Obtaining a permit was approved.

Forest City will probably begin sodding and re-seeding the grass in the northern tier of the park in the fall and expect to start renting units in the fall. A model rental unit will be located in the One Franklintown Apartment building.

Other News:

CCTC building will be completely demolished in the near future. The Maltepes Family, owner of the parking lot between the Rose Tattoo and Franklintown Beverage Distributor, plans to build a one story commercial building on the site.

April meeting of FOMBP is Thursday April 7 and 7 PM, Tivoli Community Room. April cleanup is Saturday April 16. The meeting adjourned at 8 PM. Submitted by Grace Hanrahan, Secretary of the Friends of Matthias Baldwin Park