

## **PUBLIC OUTREACH MINUTES FOR MARCH 23, 2012 MEETING**

- Present were Bill Doering, Natalie wolf, Tom Muething, Richard Bardach and Scott Lahrmer.

### **THE FIRST ISSUE DISCUSSED WAS THE COMMUNITY GARDEN E-BLAST FLYER**

- A flier for the community garden was discussed that would be e-mailed to all residents and all interested persons. Richard Bardach made a motion to e-mail the flier to all residents/interested persons that was seconded by Bill Doering.
- At a future zoning meeting, a variance should be requested for a 7.5 foot deer fence.

### **THE SECOND ISSUE DISCUSSED WAS THE WE THRIVE COMMUNITY SIGNAGE**

- A scout path access point to French Park was discussed that would begin at the Northeast corner of the intersection of Ridge and Section roads to join with the existing deer path on the French Park property and eventually end at the entrance to French Park. This meets the definition of “shared use” under the We Thrive! program.
- A scout troop from Israel will assist and help construct a needed bridge. They will be assisted by a local scout troop. The construction of this bridge is anticipated to be completed in June.
- We Thrive! signage has been prepared and will be placed at the location of the community garden and near the entrance point to French Park where the scout path will be created.

### **THE THIRD ISSUES THAT WERE JOINTLY DISCUSSED WERE THE ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE AND TREE CITY USA**

- The National Arbor Day program will take place on April 14 and April 15 from 12:00 - 3:00 and will be hosted by Amberley’s Environmental Stewardship Committee. A tree planting demonstration will take place and information related to tree identification, proper tree selection and placement, proper mulching technique, hardiness zones and pruning guides will be available. Volunteers and sought to meet in the parking lot at Amberley Green each day.
- A Tree City USA luncheon will be held on April 20 at 12:00 PM at the Jewish Community Center.

## **PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PARKS MINUTES FOR MARCH 23, 2012 MEETING**

### **THE FIRST ISSUE DISCUSSED WAS THE AMBERLEY GREEN GARDEN FINAL PLAN**

- A water storage tank for the Amberley Green Garden has been located and installed on Amberley Green. Piping is expected to be installed to catch rain water in the storage tank by April 01.
- The old caddy shack is to be reconfigured to be the storage area for tools. A dead bolt lock has been placed on the door.
- A fenced area for the garden will have a lock. A schedule will be prepared to make sure the door to the garden is regularly secured and locked.

### **THE SECOND ISSUE DISCUSSED WAS THE WE THRIVE! FINAL PROPOSED BUDGET (APPROVED BY HCPH)**

- Amberley has been awarded \$17,000.00 to date for participating in the WE THRIVE! Program.
- The identified goals of the program are to increase resident access to health foods and increase physical activity of residents.
- Additional issues to be addressed are increasing senior citizen access to grocery stores.
- Placing a Metro bus stop at the Jewish Community Center along with a bus shelter was discussed.
- Receipts associated with expenditures for the WE THRIVE! Program must be turned-in by the end of June.

### **THE THIRD ISSUE DISCUSSED WAS PICKING A LOCATION TO INSTALL THE AMBERLEY VILLAGE HALL SIGN**

- Placing banners instead of the current proposed signage was discussed.
- After much discussion about the location of the sign potentially blocking vision to persons leaving Amberley Village Hall, it was agreed to take the sign outside at a future meeting and pick an agreeable sign location.

#### **THE FOURTH ISSUE DISCUSSED WAS THE CREST HILL SIGN**

- There is Crest Hills Country Club lettering/signage located on the facing of the scoring board on Amberley Green that is to be removed (if it can be done easily) and placed in the Amberley Village historical archives.
- Discussion was entertained about removing the clock located on the former country club building and relocating it to the Amberley Village historical archives.

#### **THE FIFTH ISSUE DISCUSSED WAS GRAFFITI LOCATED ON AMBERLEY GREEN**

- Graffiti is located on Amberley Green in the middle of the site on the back of what had formerly served as a restroom. The graffiti should be white-washed out or painted over.

#### **THE SIXTH ISSUE DISCUSSED WAS RECYCLING AT VILLAGE HILL**

- Complaint(s) were raised that recycling bins at village hall in the community room were being used for trash rather than recycling. It was agreed that this would be remedied.