



Public Buildings & Parks Committee Agenda

April 4, 2022 at 4:30 PM

Public Buildings & Parks Committee

Keely Paul, Chair
Ben Hunt
Bob Rosen

Staff Liason

Scot Lahrmer, Village Manager
Wes Brown, Zoning and Project
Administrator

MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes: March 2022

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

1. *Consider Revisions to the Village Tennis Court Rules*

ADJOURNMENT

Amberley Village Council

Public Buildings & Parks Committee -- Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2022 at 4:00PM



Attendance

Committee

Keely Paul, Chair
Ben Hunt
Bob Rosen

Staff Liaisons

Scot Lahrmer, Village Manager
Wes Brown, Zoning and Project

Guests

AV Council

✍ Tom Muething, Mayor

✍ Jay Shatz

✍ Natalie Wolf

CT Consultants

✍ Danielle Steinhauser,
Community Development Specialist

✍ Frank Twehues, PE

Prior Minutes

The minutes from the previous meeting on August 12, 2021 had attendance corrections from Natalie Wolf. They were unanimously accepted as corrected.

Note

This meeting happened to be immediately after the AV Council's group photo was taken. The large council presence was due to serendipity and positive interest in our greenspace.

Handouts

Agenda and past Meeting Minutes

Amberley Green Access Study, April 2019 by CT Consultants, 7 pages

Amberley Village Connectivity Study, 4/30/2019 by MKSK and CT Consultants, 25 pages

Amberley Green Conservation Study Plan, Fall 2020, 19 pages

Sample of Potential Greenspace Funding Projects from CT Consultants, 7 pages

✍ ODNR NatureWorks provided the grant that helped fund the playground on the hill

Greenspace Projects

Keely Paul and Scot Lahrmer did a topline review of the handouts. There aren't any current greenspace projects. Some ideas that have been explored are:

✍ Vehicle access to Amberley Green from Galbraith Road

✍ Pedestrian access to Amberley Green from adjacent neighborhoods or between Amberley greenspaces via a pedestrian or multi-use path along Ridge Road

✍ Greenspace enhancement projects, e.g., gardens, meadowlands, playgrounds, and seating areas

Ben Hunt pointed out that any of these projects would need community input and funding sources. The group concurred.

Danielle Steinhauser went through the Sample of Funding Projects to show the committee what kinds of grants are available for specific types of greenspace projects. She linked sample funding sources with ideas from the Conservation Study. There are two types of grants: Numeric, which are budget focused, and Narrative, which tell a story so the reader feels a connection to the project. Federal or State funded grants are typically Numeric, and Private grants are more likely to be Narrative; so, projects need to be matched with funding sources.

Scot Lahrmer and Danielle Steinhauser reviewed some of the different federal financial aid waves. Build Back Better was mentioned, but it is more focused on social projects, so the program will probably be hard to match to any of our projects.

Previous Relevant Waves

- ✂ SLFRF, Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
- ✂ 2nd Tranche, part of SLFRF
 - Used on Farmcrest Street project

Upcoming Wave

- ✂ IIJA, Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, aka Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill
 - Bill has passed and money has been assigned
 - No criteria for how the money will be distributed, yet
 - Possibilities for greenspace projects

Tom Muething also mentioned that there might be potential opportunities to use TIF, Tax Increment Financing, as a funding source.

Danielle also mentioned:

- ✂ STEM or STEAM, Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics, partnership with local schools
- ✂ Non-Capital Programming
 - Mostly privately funded. e.g., Baseball, Tai Chi
- ✂ There is a summary of the funding ideas on page 7 of the Sample Funding Sources

Natalie Wolf emphasized that the village's greenspaces are very valuable to the community. The group all agreed.

Amberley Green changes need to be balanced with the potential for future economic development. This constrains the areas we should consider for projects, as well as the size of the projects. Also, it is possible that some enhancement projects could be rolled into an

economic development plan, e.g., a playground, public bathroom access. The unknown challenges planning any short term projects.

Brainstorm Ideas

- ✂ Projects need to enhance enjoyment and not need ongoing maintenance
- ✂ Projects can't disrupt development

- ✂ Connectivity projects need community involvement before they should move forward

- ✂ Moving the garden might be necessary when economic development happens
 - It is important and should be retained, even if it has to be moved
- ✂ Amberley Green paths have support, they facilitate enjoyment of the area
 - Need maintenance
 - Still functional, would updates add value
 - Any new paths should be driven by a destination, not just a loop

- ✂ Short Term
 - Pollinating garden on 3-5 acres
 - Programming ideas
- ✂ Long Term
 - Playground in the back
 - Paths for access
 - Could be added to development criteria

- ✂ Wedding area
- ✂ Gazebo
- ✂ Prairie area for birds
 - Important that the area be routinely checked for invasive plants like poison hemlock, Barlett Pear trees, and honeysuckle
- ✂ Seating areas
 - Additional to existing
 - Current seating area could use some updating

JCC Development Plan

JCC has just started to reengage with us regarding their Amberley Green proposal.

- ✂ Includes a playground
- ✂ Includes an Amphitheater, but it was moved to Stage 2

New Business

WeTHRIVE! Grant

Natalie Wolf brought up an existing \$3.5K in available funding from a WeTHRIVE! grant.

- ✍ 2012 grant
- ✍ CDC flagged to benefit public health
- ✍ Education, Health and Wellness Committee applied the funds to:
 - Community garden
 - Signage
 - Playcore items at the walking track in the park at Ridge and Section

The four (4) Playcore items are popular and get consistent usage. The committee agreed that we should research adding another piece to the group with the existing grant money.

Meadowlands

Tom mentioned that resident Jeff Zipkin is interested in a meadowlands area on Amberley Green. We should ask Jeff to speak at one of our meetings.

Amberley Green Paths

Although we don't want to actively pursue a path project at this time, we should get a ballpark ideas of what path repair or updating would cost. If we know the size of the project, we would be in a better position to decide to seek or pursue funding sources.

Follow Ups

- ✍ Playcore – adding a piece
- ✍ Meadowlands – ask Jeff to talk to the committee
- ✍ Amberely Green Paths – research the ballpark price for repairs or updating

Adjourned

5:31PM

Prepared by: Keely Paul, Committee Chair

VILLAGE-OWNED TENNIS COURTS

§ 98.05 USE OF VILLAGE COURTS RESTRICTED TO RESIDENTS.

(A) Use of the village tennis courts shall be restricted to residents of Amberley Village holding current key cards issued by the village, and their guests, except as hereinafter provided.

(B) Each group using a tennis court shall have at least one resident as a part of that group.

(C) Use of village tennis courts may be extended to nonresidents as authorized by Village Council.

(Ord. C-424, passed 5-10-76; Am. Ord. 2009-15, passed 9-14-09) Penalty, see § [10.99](#)

§ 98.06 LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF GUESTS.

No resident using the tennis courts shall bring more than three guests to the courts at any one time. The guests shall be restricted to the court used by the resident.

(Ord. C-424, passed 5-10-76) Penalty, see § [10.99](#)

§ 98.07 SHOES AND SHIRTS REQUIRED.

(A) Only regulation tennis shoes shall be worn on the village tennis courts.

(B) Appropriate attire at the courts shall include shirts to be worn at all times.

(Ord. C-424, passed 5-10-76) Penalty, see § [10.99](#)

§ 98.08 FOOD, BEVERAGES PROHIBITED ON COURTS.

No food or beverage shall be permitted on the village tennis courts.

(Ord. C-424, passed 5-10-76) Penalty, see § [10.99](#)

§ 98.09 PLAYING TIME RESTRICTED.

(A) Except as authorized by Council, when other players are waiting to play, players must limit their playing time to one hour maximum. To assure compliance with this rule, courts must be relinquished at "changeover time" regardless of the time the courts have been in use by the players occupying the courts. "Changeover time" is defined as the exact hour (i.e., 12:00 noon, 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m., and the like). The clock in the village hall window is to be used for this purpose. Waiting players have their choice of courts at "changeover time."

(B) Utilization of courts shall be restricted to daylight hours. No person shall enter the village tennis courts for any purpose during night-time hours.

(Ord. C-424, passed 5-10-76; Am. Ord. 2009-15, passed 9-14-09) Penalty, see § [10.99](#)

§ 98.10 TENSION ON NETS TO BE RELEASED.

Players shall release tension on the net when the court is not in use.

(Ord. C-424, passed 5-10-76) Penalty, see § [10.99](#)

§ 98.11 FEE FOR TENNIS KEYCARDS.

(A) The fee for a two-year tennis key card for village residents to access the village tennis courts is hereby established at \$50 per card; the fee for a second-year card only to be \$35. Two-year key cards will be valid for the season for which it was issued and the following season; and second-year key cards will be valid only for the single season in which it was issued.

(B) Pursuant to § 98.05(C), key cards shall be issued to persons who are not residents of the village for the use of the lower tennis courts located immediately south of Village Hall upon payment of \$100 for the two-year access, \$70 for the second year only access. Such key cards will be valid as outlined in division (A). A maximum limit of 25 key cards will be issued. Applicants must provide the village with a valid name, current address, phone number, and email address before a key card will be issued. Any nonresident with a valid key card may have up to three guests as part of the same group on the same court at any one time.

(C) The replacement fee for a lost or damaged key card is \$10. All fees herein are nonrefundable unless the village terminates the privilege granted by the issuance of a key card, in which event the village will reimburse the annual fee paid for that key card. The Village Manager may revoke the privileges granted herein at any time for a violation of any village rule, policy, or procedure relating to use of the tennis courts.

(Res. C-734, passed 3-13-89; Am. Res. C-804, passed 3-11-91; Am. Res. 1997-28, passed 5-12-97; Am. Res. 2003-12, passed 4-14-03; Am. Res. 2005-02, passed 4-11-05; Am. Res. 2007-05, passed 4-9-07; Am. Res. 2009-03, passed 4-13-09; Am. Res. 2011-02, passed 4-11-11; Am. Res. 2015-7, passed 3-9-15)

PASSED: February 13, 2012
BY: Wolf

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-27

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NONRESIDENTS TO USE AMBERLEY VILLAGE
TENNIS COURTS FOR AN ANNUAL FEE

WHEREAS, Amberley Village provides the use of tennis courts to enhance recreational opportunities and to promote the health and welfare of the community;

WHEREAS, in order to maximize the use of the tennis courts and generate revenue necessary to defray the cost of maintaining the tennis courts, the Council desires to make certain courts available to nonresidents for a trial period of one year;

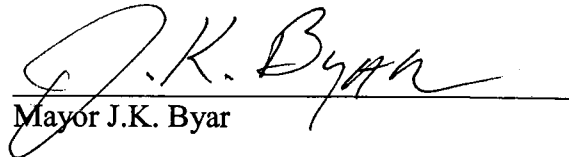
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF AMBERLEY VILLAGE, STATE OF OHIO, seven (7) members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1: Pursuant to §98.05(C) of the Village Code of Ordinances, key cards shall be issued to persons who are not residents of the Village for the use of the lower tennis courts located immediately south of Village Hall upon payment of an annual fee of \$70.00. Such key cards will be valid from the effective date of this resolution through December 31, 2012. A maximum limit of 25 key cards will be issued. Applicants must provide the Village with a valid name, current address, phone number, and email address before a key card will be issued. Any nonresident with a valid key card may have up to three guests as part of the same group on the same court at any one time. The replacement fee for a lost or damaged key card is \$10.00. All fees herein are nonrefundable unless the Village terminates the privilege granted by the issuance of a key card, in which event the Village will reimburse the annual fee paid for that key card. The Village Manager may revoke the privileges granted herein at any time for a violation of any Village rule, policy, or procedure relating to use of the tennis courts.

SECTION 2: Council directs the Manager to make a reasonable effort to notify nonresidents of the opportunity to purchase a key card.

SECTION 3: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force at the earliest date allowed by law.

Passed this 13th day of February, 2012.


Mayor J.K. Byar

Attest:


Nicole Browder, Clerk of Council

Amberley Village

MEMBERSHIP RULES

1. USE OF THE COURTS SHALL BE RESTRICTED TO RESIDENTS OF AMBERLEY VILLAGE, HOLDING KEY CARDS ISSUED BY THE VILLAGE, AND THEIR GUESTS
2. EACH GROUP OF GUESTS SHALL HAVE AT LEAST ONE RESIDENT AS PART OF THAT GROUP
3. NO RESIDENT SHALL BRING MORE THAN THREE GUESTS AT ANY ONE TIME, WHO SHALL BE RESTRICTED TO THE COURT USED BY SAID RESIDENT

CLOTHING RULES

1. ONLY REGULATION TENNIS SHOES PERMITTED ON COURTS
2. APPROPRIATE ATTIRE SHALL INCLUDE SHIRT TO BE WORN AT ALL TIMES

COURTESY RULES

1. WHEN OTHER PLAYERS ARE WAITING, PLAYERS MUST LIMIT THEIR PLAYING TIME TO ONE HOUR MAXIMUM
2. THESE RULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BY THE VILLAGE AS CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRE

Thank You, Amberley Village Managment
