

Town Of Cortland  
Town Hall  
59 S. Somonauk Road  
Cortland, IL 60112  
**Parks Advisory Committee**  
Minutes  
**September 13, 2022**  
**6:30 p.m.**

**Call to Order / Roll Call**

Committee Chair Charmaine Fioretto called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Charmaine Fioretto called the roll call showing as present Liz Botts, Trent Moser, Josh Orr, Michelle Bergeson, Angel Mendez, Patricia Mackey, and Mary-Ann Kaminski. Quorum was present. Also present at the meeting was Deputy Clerk Kaity Siewierski.

**Approval of Agenda**

Committee Member Michelle Bergeson moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Committee Member Josh Orr. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

**Swearing In of Committee Members**

Deputy Clerk Kaity Siewierski swore in committee members; Liz Botts, Trent Moser, Josh Orr, Michelle Bergeson, Angel Mendez, Patricia Mackey, and Mary-Ann Kaminski.

**Hearing of Staff/Citizens**

Committee Member Moser asked everyone to induce themselves and tell how long they have lived in town.

**New Business**

**Review The 2005 Park Advisory Report**

The 2005 Park Advisory Report was passed out for review and will be a reference guide to what is expected of the Parks Advisory Committee. The committee discussed how to enhance the report further with even more detail than what was given in the previous report.

**The Future of Cortland Community Parks**

The Committee discussed the future of Cortland Community Parks, how many parks there are in town and their locations. Also, the committee discussed Cortland Community Park needing an overhaul done and redesigning the park as more of an event space. The committee also discussed how we will need to find a new location for

the skatepark and baseball diamond. Questions were asked about how much money is budgeted for parks and park improvements.

### **Review OMA Do's/Don'ts**

Committee Chair Fioretto discussed a quick overview of OMA (Open Meetings Act). The main focus of discussion was posting comments on Facebook or social media platforms on business pertaining to the Cortland Community Parks. When five members of the committee comment on the same post it then could be considered an illegal meeting. Also, emailing the board chair, not include, or reply all; including other board members in the email would be considered an illegal meeting.

### **Adjournment**

Committee Member Moser moved to adjourn, seconded by Kaminski. Unanimous voice vote carried the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Summited,

Charmaine Fioretto  
Town Board Trustee  
Parks Advisory Committee Chair