

Notes from VPTA Maintenance Committee August 6, 2024 – 7 PM

Attendance: Dwight Fellman, Neil Bentley, David Doth

Discussion notes

- No formal meetings in June or July
- Storm early July 2024 – fence damaged
 - David Doth and Dwight Fellman repaired section across from 7931. Damage from tree on BNSF side of fence fell on fence
 - Dwight fixed more fence boards around the complex
 - Volunteers can do some shrub / tree trimming on RR side but need cooler weather; will leave brush for BNSF to deal with
 - David Doth: Suggest marking trees and shrubs for BNSF to remove
 - Bentley: Hard to get BNSF to pay for anything
 - Dwight submitted bill to FSR for approximately \$40 for new boards and 2x4 horizontal supports
- Asphalt: Road cracks and driveway sealing
 - After the meeting – progress has been made.
 - Vendor visited with David Doth
 - Thanks to Erin @ FSR for moving this forward
 - Sounds like vendor will be just the road cracks; driveways separate task
 - David Doth to be 'point person / contact' for roadway crack fixes
 - Neil: Water-based driveway topping makes for easy application and easy cleanup
- Dwight: Lots of buckthorn taking over north end of Pond 2. Will be seeking volunteers to help clear some
- Dwight pointed out a hole at the north end of Pond 1. Looks like a broken PVC pipe as part of irrigation system with standing water in hole. Pulled the white marker flag out of the hole to make visible to Mangold. "Irrigation system has been shut off for some time due to rain this year."
- Fountains
 - Most in agreement that fountains help keep algae at bay. Aeration is good for water quality
 - Dwight reminds: Pond 'muck cleanup / maintenance' is a Reserves item; never happened and long overdue
- Decks:
 - Discussion; no actions.
 - St. Louis Park construction authority will be on-site Tuesday August 13 1 PM for walk-through with Maintenance Committee members to discuss deck update / replacement options

Next meeting first Tuesday – September 3, 2024

Meeting adjourned at 8 PM