

**Inspiration Common Area Committee**  
**February 19, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

- Meeting called to order at 6p
- Members in attendance:
  - Mark Berkstresser
  - Aaron Curtiss
  - Marla Healy
  - Graham Lammers
  - Forrest Oldham
  - Maurice Smith
  - Greg Wolgamott
- Kaylin Hicks provided an overview of ongoing landscaping and common area issues:
  - The Adirondack chairs at the hops garden firepit were replaced with synthetic chairs
  - The baby swing at Pathfinder Park is scheduled to be installed the week of February 25
  - The monument sign light at Gartrell and Rockinghorse Parkway is being repaired
  - The bench in Pathfinder Park is being re-welded
  - Common area fencing is being evaluated in anticipation of a community work day and District-funded repairs
  - The handover map from Newland is being updated to reflect current anticipated timing
- Sara Rutman of Brightview provided an overview of pest spraying for the District-owned trees
  - The pine beetles are
  - Aphids and mites can eliminate a deciduous tree's growing season
  - She advised spraying for pests to reduce unhealthy trees
  - The committee discussed and Aaron Curtiss agreed to bring issue to the District board for consideration
  - Native grass restoration was discussed and Rutman agreed to look at options for reseeding impacted areas
- Marla Healy reported on progress for the nursery sponsorship program
  - Six nurseries were contacted
  - Three expressed interest and three others had not yet responded
- Mark Berkstresser updated the committee on the bluebird house project
  - 10 sites were identified, divided equally between Hilltop the all-ages neighborhoods

- Volunteers are lined up to construct the birdhouses
  - Berkstresser is working with Hannah Toole to secure sponsorship funding to reduce costs to the District
  - An installation date was set for March 9
- Aaron Curtiss and Forrest Oldham presented options and a preliminary map for the dog stations
  - The committee authorized Curtiss to present the proposal to the District board for consideration, as it would require an expenditure to purchase 10 boxes
  - Rutman of Brightview said she would review options for augering the holes
- Kayla Nelson was unable to attend so Aaron Curtiss gave a summary of ongoing park planning
  - City of Aurora has signed off in concept on spreading amenities
  - All of the recommendations from the committee are now being developed by Norris Design for a formal application to the city
  - The committee made a number of design recommendations, including:
    - Installing a shade sale over the playground
    - Moving the firepit to Pathfinder Park
    - Installing beds along the edge of the lawn at Inspiration Club
    - Expanding the number of sledding runs and extending the barrier at the bottom
    - Curtiss was tasked with marking up Newland's maps and submitting them for consideration
- Meeting adjourned at 7:59p