

RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING  
Monday, January 4, 2016

COMMISSIONERS ATTENDING

Brian Piper  
Al Fink  
Heidi Burtner  
Jessica McGinnis

OTHERS ATTENDING

Rita Ligeikis, Recreation Coordinator  
Alice Gallagher, Village Trustee

Absent  
Jim Koch

CALL TO ORDER: B. Piper called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Commission reviewed the minutes from the November 30, 2015 meeting.

MOTION: H. Burtner motioned and J. McGinnis seconded the minutes from the November 30, 2015 meeting be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: R. Ligeikis stated that it's a new fiscal year. 2015 was a big capital improvement project year. This year we will focus on smaller projects like the renovation of the Rec office.

REPORTS:

1) RECREATION DIRECTOR AND STAFF REPORTS

A. Program Session-: R. Ligeikis stated that the fall programs have ended. The Holiday camp, Snow Days with Blue Moose, was well attended. The camp was held at the new Laidlaw gym this year. Winter programs started today. (Jan 4<sup>th</sup>) Early childhood program enrollment is strong. We are now offering a punch cards for open gym. Punch cards for HS & Older are \$30 for 10 times. A. Fink asked if we would considering a Nonresident fee/punch card. R. Ligeikis stated most of users are from Western Springs or LaGrange so not at this time.

B. Summer Session Report 2015: R. Ligeikis summarized the comments on the session report and explained that these reports are done 3 times a year and help us see the overall financial picture of each season/program and help determine future program offerings.

C. Lacrosse: R. Ligeikis stated that in the correspondence folder is the information on a new competing lacrosse program. This program is being started by Tim Duffy, who is the coach the Rec Dept recently parted ways with. We will see how this affects our program.

D. Winter Brochure: Already mentioned.

E. Travel Basketball: R. Ligeikis stated that things are running smoothly. The House League is smaller this year due to more and more players on travel ball teams. T. Alden plans to make some changes for next year.

F. Senior Programs: R. Ligeikis stated that programs have started back up and things are running normal.

G. Tower Trot: R. Ligeikis stated that planning has begun for the 2016 race. The focus of the next year's race will be honoring Len Caldiera.

H. Capital Projects Update: R. Ligeikis stated that the Rec Center hallway floor project went smooth. It started Dec 14 at night. They completed each floor in about 3 days. Everything is done except the 1<sup>st</sup> floor bathrooms which are schedule to be done in January.

I. Complaints/Comments: R. Ligeikis stated that the IAPD/IPRA Conference is Jan 28-30 and if any Commission members are interested in attending, please let her or Tracy know.

- 2) BUDGET: No report.
- 3) PARK DISTRICT BOARD MEETING: J. Robinson was not in attendance. The Dec board packet is in the Correspondence file. The next meeting is scheduled for 1/12/16.
- 4) S.E.A.S.P.A.R: R. Ligeikis stated that SEASPAR had their Holiday Show at the Western Springs Theater on Dec 7<sup>th</sup>. She explained to the Commission that SEASPAR is the Special Recreation Association that Western Springs is a member of. The next meeting will be held on 1/19/16.
- 5) GRAND AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTER & WSCCA: R. Ligeikis stated that they are still moving in the direction of dissolving the WSCCA. Discussion of some sort of tribute may happen at the next meeting. The next meeting will be held on Jan 14<sup>th</sup>.
- 6) CHAIRMAN AND COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: R. Ligeikis reminded Jessica McGinnis, our new Commissioner, to complete the OMA training. She mentioned to Save the Date for the Board and Commissioners Reception at Mecenat on Sun, Jan 31<sup>st</sup>.
- 7) TRUSTEE AND BOARD REPORT: A. Gallagher reported that the water situation has improved. The Infrastructure Committee will be looking into possible alternatives and/or options in case the deep well goes out of commission again.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following items are included in the correspondence folder: Village Board Agendas-Dec 7 & 21, Park Board Packet-Dec 8 & notes from User Group mtg, SEASPAR Board Packet-Dec 15, SEASPAR Packet for Heidi, Fund Raising Info Letter for each Commissioner, Program from Holiday Spectacular, IAPD Member Agency Packet Info and Thank You from Women's Club – Safety Village Presentation.

#### COMMENTS:

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, Feb 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm at the Western Springs Recreation Center.

ADJOURNMENT: H. Burtner motioned, J. McGinnis seconded that the meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Rita Ligeikis  
Recreation Coordinator/Commission Secretary