

RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, June 6, 2016

COMMISSIONERS ATTENDING

Heidi Burtner
Brian Piper
Jessica McGinnis
Al Fink

OTHERS ATTENDING

Tracy Alden, Director of Recreation
Rita Ligeikis, Recreation Coordinator
John Robinson, Executive Director of Parks
Alice Gallagher, Village Trustee

Absent:

Jim Koch, Chair

CALL TO ORDER: H. Burtner called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Commission reviewed the minutes from the May 2, 2016 meeting.

MOTION: B. Piper motioned and J. McGinnis seconded the minutes from the May 2, 2016 meeting be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

REPORTS:

1) RECREATION DIRECTOR AND STAFF REPORTS

A. Current Program Session: R. Ligeikis stated that Session 3 Early Childhood classes ended on 6/3.

B. Summer Programs: T. Alden stated that staff training is Tues, 6/7 and Summer programs start on Mon, 6/13.

C. Tennis: Spring Tennis started May 9 and Summer Tennis begins on 6/6.

D. Lacrosse: T. Alden stated that 6/4 was the Tower Tournament. There were some last minute changes that threatened the use of Bennett Field at LT due to the Relay for Life. It forced us to use 3 fields at Spring Rock Park and it worked out so well they will do it again next year. This allowed teams to finish the tournament early and parking was less congested at LT.

E. Basketball: T. Alden stated that the Spring Basketball program is wrapping up. Participants will be getting partial refunds. He is looking forward to the Fall/Winter season.

F. Senior Programs: T. Alden stated that the Senior Picnic was today at the Rec Center. Also, M. Cagney will be taking over the taxi program when the WSCCA disbands.

G. Special Events: T. Alden stated that the Gathering on the Green, sponsored by the WSBA will take place at the Tower Green on Fri, June 10. Rec Staff will be bringing our belly bouncers to entertain the kids.

H. Tower Trot: T. Alden reported that there were 1324 registered + 93 for the Fun Run + race day registrations which totaled over 1500 runners. He believes the big bump in enrollment was due to the tribute to Len Caldiera and the McClure teachers and students honoring the passing of a teacher. He also stated that we need new mile markers signs for 2017.

I. Capital Projects Update: T. Alden stated no major projects at this time.

J. Complaints/Comments: None.

K. Other: T. Alden stated he needs a volunteer to write the Message from the Commission for the Fall brochure. The theme will be the WSCCA. The Commission volunteered J. Koch.

- 2) BUDGET: T. Alden stated that we are halfway through the fiscal year and tracking normal.
- 3) PARK DISTRICT BOARD MEETING: J. Robinson reported that were about 50 people who attended the Grand Opening on May 13 and about 30 kids who participated in soccer drills sponsored by the Chicago Fire. *He is hosting 3 BBQ's in the parks this summer. 82 people attended the one at Timber Trails. * They partnered with D101 to build 2 outdoor basketball hoops at Forest Hills. The park board packet is in the Correspondence folder and the next meeting is scheduled for 6/14/16.
- 5) S.E.A.S.P.A.R: The board packet is in the correspondence folder. The next meeting will be held on 6/21/16. T. Alden stated they are starting to work on their budget.
- 6) GRAND AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTER & WSCCA: T. Alden stated the WSCCA warmly received the amended Downsizing & Dissolution Agreement. He will then sign it and take to the Properties and Rec Committee. They have decided to commission and pay for a multigenerational statue. The next meeting date is tba.
- 7) CHAIRMAN AND COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: None.
- 8) TRUSTEE AND BOARD REPORT: A. Gallagher reported on the following. *The times for the Gathering on the Green are 5-10 pm. *At the last Village Board meeting they recognized the graduating Peer Jurors and saw the WSBA give out scholarships. * All residents should have received the water report in the mail.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following items are included in the correspondence folder: Village Board Agendas-May 9 & 20, Park Board Packet-May 10, SEASPAR Board Packet-May 17, IPRA Magazines.

COMMENTS:

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, Aug 1 at 7:00 pm at the Western Springs Recreation Center.

ADJOURNMENT: B. Piper motioned, J. McGinnis seconded that the meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of the letters 'RL' in a cursive, stylized font.

Rita Ligeikis
Recreation Coordinator/Commission Secretary