

RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, February 3, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER: E. Piotrowski called the meeting to order in Room 24 of the WS Recreation Center, 1500 Walker St., Western Springs, IL at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL: Commissioners present: Erin Piotrowski, Kevin Collins, Matt Pinkham and Chris Krohe. Jim Mikulich arrived at 7:15 pm. Also present were Recreation Program Manager, Rita Ligeikis, Recreation Supervisor, Mike Kenny, Director of Recreation, Aleks Briedis, Superintendent of Parks, Dennis Conway and Matt Jurjovec.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Commission reviewed the minutes from the November 4, 2019 meeting. C. Krohe motioned and K. Collins seconded that the minutes from the November 4, 2019 meeting be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

4. CITIZENS COMMENTS: None.

5. OLD BUSINESS: None.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

a) Healing Hearts for Ashley Agreement- The agreement is in the packet. Matt Jurjovec gave an explanation about the foundation to the new Commissioners. This will be the second agreement between the Village and Healing Hearts. The Tower Trot has helped raise over \$50,000 for the charity and M. Jurjovec hopes to get even more sponsors this year. Director Briedis stated that there are some changes to terms within the agreement and administrative tasks have been streamlined. The Properties and Rec Committee has reviewed this agreement.

b) SEASPAR Agreement for Sensory Room & Construction Bid- The Village Attorney changed some language in the agreement including shortening the 40-year lease to a 20-year lease. Construction should start the week of 2/17 and take 6 weeks. The sensory equipment will then be installed. A Grand Opening event will be scheduled.

7. REPORTS:

a) DIRECTOR BRIEDIS:

- i. Recreation Software- Four software companies were demoed, two have been chosen as the top picks. Quotes will be needed; demo software and an additional question and answer session may be requested.
- ii. Tower Trot- The Village Club needs to apply for a liquor license and working on brochure information for the race.
- iii. Summer Brochure – Brochure information is due today. The draft will be sent to Steve on 2/14. Discussion regarding the Message from the Commission ensued. E. Piotrowski asked if there will be a theme. She said she would see if she could think of one.
- iv. Other-Dave Evans has said he will be retiring in 2-3 years. Going forward Dave will concentrate more on the tournaments as Simon will focus on the classes. Simon will be transitioned into Dave's role. In the near future, the goal is to get a hot spot

at Spring Rock Park so people can enroll for classes at the tennis center.

b) MANAGER LIGEIKIS

- i. Early Childhood Classes-Session 1 & 2-Session 1 saw outstanding numbers and the new Lead Instructors are doing well. Session 2 begins 2/24. There are less waiting lists but enrollments still very good.
- ii. Summer Brochure/Summer Planning & Trainings –The summer brochure is due to Steve. Manager Ligeikis will be working on scheduling trainings and reaching out to returning staff.
- iii. Little Sweetheart Dance-The dance is this Sunday. Manager Ligeikis will be shopping for supplies on Wednesday and have one of her EC instructors and office staff helping at the event.
- iv. Fall Financial Report – The report is being worked on and should be done sometime in March.

c) SUPERVISOR KENNY

- i. Athletic Programs - Travel Lacrosse currently has 95 enrolled. At the last lacrosse board meeting, there was discussion about switching leagues this season. Due to issues with the some fields being too small, scheduling issues and skill levels of the players did not always match up. The plan is to try to start a new local league with surrounding areas before the league registration deadline at the end of February.
 - ii. Winter Basketball clinics – Spartz classes are doing well. There are 34 enrolled in Ballerz, 32 in Lil Hoopers. A second class was added to accommodate the waitlist. 24 are enrolled in the second class. 90 total participants in Lil Hoopers and Ballerz this session.
 - iii. Other -Working on summer programs for brochure and C. Spartz’s new contract.
- 8) PARK DISTRICT BOARD UPDATE: The January agenda is included in the packet. D. Conway reported that the construction is on schedule just a little messy. Soil testing will be done on Thursday. In late April or May the color coating will be done. The goal is to have the tennis courts ready in June. The next Park Board meeting is scheduled for 2/11/20.
- 9) SEASPAR: Already discussed. The January meeting agenda and newsletter are included in the packet. The next Board meeting will be held on 2/18/20.
- 10) TRUSTEE AND BOARD REPORT: The January 13th & 27th agendas are included in the packet. The next Village board meetings are as follows: Feb 10th & 24th. A. Briedis reported on various Village business. See [Village website](#) for specific minutes.
- 11) COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: None.

- 12) NEXT MEETING: The next Recreation Commission Meeting is Monday, March 2 at 7:00 pm.
- 13) ADJOURNMENT: J. Mikulich motioned and K. Collins seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 7:56 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rita Ligeikis
Recreation Program Manager/Commission Secretary