

RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, April 1, 2019

COMMISSIONERS ATTENDING

Al Fink, Chair
Martin Lagler
John Mikulich
Erin Piotrowski
*Chris Krohe (7:04 pm)

OTHERS ATTENDING

Tracy Alden, Director of Recreation
Rita Ligeikis, Recreation Coordinator
Walter Knake, Executive Director of Parks
*Sheila Hansen, Village Trustee (7:03 pm)
Aleks Briedis, Incoming Director of Recreation
Ray Jasica, SEASPAR Representative

CALL TO ORDER: A. Fink called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Commission reviewed the minutes from the February 4, 2019 meeting. (No March meeting)

MOTION: M. Lagler motioned and C. Krohe seconded that the minutes from the February 4, meeting be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) SEASPAR Sensory Room Update & Lisle PD IGA: T. Alden provided the attachments and agreement with 845 Design Group. He stated that M. Corso said they will approve the budget at the April meeting. If approved, they will move ahead with the IGA agreement. R. Jasica stated that the sensory room in Lisle is very successful. One child spoke his first word due to the effects of the sensory room and thanked the Village for their support of the project. E. Piotrowski stated that she thought the United Center was putting in a sensory area as well.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

REPORTS:

2) RECREATION DIRECTOR AND STAFF REPORT

- A. Current Programs: R. Ligeikis stated we are in the middle of Session 2 and going strong. She will take a look at Session 3 next week.
- B. Lacrosse: T. Alden stated that the program has been recovering. LAX staff is deciding whether or not to host the Tower Tournament. Deadline was today.
- C. Basketball: T. Alden stated that the Travel Basketball expense summary is in the Correspondence file. There are two teams in the Spring Travel league. He also stated that there are 4 players that C. Spartz has worked with that are in the Final Four.
- D. PickeBall: The park district will be hosting an outdoor tournament in May.
R. Ligeikis stated that P. Florczak contacted Jose to schedule some summer classes. Open Pickleball will still be offered.

- E. Senior Programs: T. Alden stated that M. Cagney is having a speaker at the Senior Center this Friday.
 - F. Tower Trot – Sat, May 25: T. Alden stated that things are falling into place for the race. He recommended another 2 yr agreement with Healing Hearts. He will be running in the race this year instead of running the race.
 - G. Tennis: T. Alden stated that at the last Park Board meeting they said that the Spring Rock tennis courts will close 7/8. The tennis community is upset and scrambling to find courts for the rest of the summer. T. Alden stated that tennis is a big program and this will effect many staff and participants. We may be able to use the LT courts during the day and exploring the option of Gilbert Park courts at night. J. Mikulich suggested using temporary lights at LT. W. Knake showed the Commission a draft diagram of the new tennis court design and pavilion. He stated that it would take about 8 weeks to build. Lights will be fixed on the west courts as soon as the ground thaws.
 - H. Summer Registration: Registration day was 4/5. R. Ligeikis stated that Mia Javanshad will be instructing the By Gym Mini this summer.
 - I. Special Events: None.
 - J. Fall Session Report: R. Ligeikis stated the she is working on the report and should be ready by the end of the month.
 - K. Winter/Spring Participant Evaluations: T. Alden stated that the link was sent out on 3/14. Abby McEntee will be tabulating those.
 - L. 2018 Statistics Report: T. Alden stated that he is waiting for one more tenant to respond with numbers to complete the report.
 - M. Personnel: T. Alden stated that Aleks Briedis officially starts as the new Recreation Director on 4/16. Aleks stated that he lives in Villa Park, went to U of I and has worked in Wheeling, Colorado, Batavia and LaGrange Park. Athletic Coordinator interviews start this Thurs.
 - N. Capital Projects Update: T. Alden stated that the Rec Office Expansion project began this morning. It should be done in May.
 - O. Complaints/Comments: R. Ligeikis stated that she had a mom of a girl she interviewed come in and yell at her about the type of questions that were asked. She explained that all candidates are asked the same questions no matter what age they are as well as addressed why certain question are asked. She calmed her down a bit by telling her that she knew her daughter was nervous, but sweet and that she has a daughter her age as well.
- 3) BUDGET: T. Alden stated that we are 25% through our fiscal year.
 - 4) PARK DISTRICT BOARD MEETING: Already discussed. The board packet is in the Correspondence folder. The next meeting is scheduled for 4/9/19.
 - 5) S.E.A.S.P.A.R: Already discussed. The board packet is in the correspondence folder. The next meeting will be held on 4/16/19.
 - 6) CHAIRMAN AND COMMISSIONER’S REPORT: T. Alden reported we are losing two Commission members. S. Hanson stated that there are previously submitted applications

that can be reviewed. President Gallagher will take recommendations and make a decision.

- 7) TRUSTEE AND BOARD REPORT: Trustee Hansen reported that the Village Board voted no to the change in the parking situation on Chestnut and sent it back to the T&S Commission for further review.

Approved items were as follows: the disposal of surplus fire equipment, an IGA funding of Metra's participation in the cost of the pedestrian underpass, a raffle license for WSDLES/SPEC and for WSHS, the contract with French Market, paying 25% of the costs for the Ridgewood Oaks Detention pond. *Amended the liquor license for TWS Endless Summer event. * Honored Captain Steve Heinzelman upon his retirement after 22 years of service. * Heard a presentation from the Ill Tollway about the noise wall and was informed that all existing noise walls will be replaced with precast concrete and the Berm is also to stay in place. * J. Horvath is acting Village Clerk until 4/21.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following items are included in the correspondence folder: Village Board Agendas-Feb 11, 25, March 11, 25, Park Board Packet-Feb 12 & March 19, Park District Newsletter, SEASPAR Board Packet-Feb 19 & March 19, IAPD Newsletter, IPRA Magazines, Travel Basketball Expenses Summary.

COMMENTS: The May Recreation Commission Meeting will be canceled and held on Monday, June 3, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Western Spring Recreation Center.

ADJOURNMENT: E. Piotrowski motioned, M. Lagler seconded that the meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rita Ligeikis
Recreation Coordinator/Commission Secretary