

# Minutes of Park and Recreation Commission Meeting

Wednesday, January 27, 2010

Present: Skip Pennucci, Chairperson  
Tom Cook  
Manny Enes  
Carlo Reca  
Howard Jordan  
Maryanne Genovese  
Guy Pipolo, Vice Chair  
Stuart Hemby

Excused: Steve Scarangella

Absent:

Also present: Recreation Superintendent, Rosanne Saracino  
Deputy Mayor, Lou Santoro, Liaison to Commission  
Village Manager, Richard Slingerland  
Mayor Rosenblum  
George Lattimer, State Assemblyman  
Nancy Wasserman, resident

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by Commissioner Skip Pennucci.

## **Minutes Approved**

A motion was made by Commissioner Tom Cook and seconded by Commissioner Stu Hemby to approve the Recreation Commission minutes for the meeting of December 2, 2009. Minutes were unanimously approved.

## **Election of Chair and Vice Chair**

The New Chair person will be Skip Pennucci and the new Vice Chair Guy Pipolo.

## **Superintendent's Update**

Superintendent of Recreation, Rosanne Saracino reviewed her monthly update; provided time for questions and answers.

## **Old Business**

1. Village Manager, Richard Slingerland addressed the situation of permit approvals for Parks and Pavilion use. He suggested that perhaps the approval process should rest with the Superintendent of Recreation and the Village Manager thereby affording the Recreation Commission the opportunity to focus on other recreation issues. The prior Recreation Commission had requested to be relieved of this responsibility. Richard Slingerland will place this item/suggestion on the work session agenda for the Board of Trustees.

## New Business

1. Gregg Rubin, President of the Sound Shore Runner and Multisport Club suggested making the annual Turkey Trot a 5K instead of a 5 miler. A 5K attracts more runners and is more cost effective than a 5 mile race.
2. Richard Slingerland explained that the electric power line under the fields at Harbor Island Park needs to be replaced as soon as possible. Con Edison will be doing this work and running a conduit for the wires...
3. Mayor Rosenblum suggested that the Village may want to resurrect the Cherry Blossom festival.
4. Tom Cook suggested that the Village have an area to walk dogs year round. The Recreation Commission is in favor of having a designated area to walk dogs somewhere in the Village. Rich Slingerland will check with other municipalities for dog walking procedures and practices.
5. Concept of a Teen Center was discussed by the Recreation Commission. Howard Jordan spoke about the former teen center that he was in charge of at the pavilion from 1995-1998. A youth council should be established to help access teen interests. Recreation Commission wants to start a pilot teen program to start sometime in March. Superintendent of Recreation will apprise the Village Manager Richard Slingerland of the Recreation Commission's intentions.
6. Recreation Commission would like to have the trees in the Harbor decorated with lights at Holiday time. Superintendent Saracino will speak with Village Manager Richard Slingerland for direction.

Commissioner Manny Enes made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Carlo Rea.

Next meeting will be scheduled for:

**Wednesday, February 24, 7 p.m. in the Court Room**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rosanne Saracino  
Superintendent of Recreation