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Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Wednesday April 29, 2015

Meeting called to order by Sandy Korkatzis, Superintendent at 7:06pm.

Attendees:	Stephanie Figiomeni	Joan Spedafino
	Kerry Stein	Theresa Sullivan
	Dean DeLitta	Brett Moller
	Steve Scarangella	

Absent: Maryann Genovese
 Joan Spedafino
 Carlo Reca

Present:	Sandy Korkatzis, Recreation Superintendent	Kaitlyn Losco, Recreation Leader
	Louis Santoro, Trustee Liaison	Dan Masciopinto, MJSL
	Barry Casterella, Parks General Foreman	Anthony Adamo, LMLL

April Agenda Summary

Memorial Day begins charged parking at Harbor Island Park.

MJSL representative, Trent Spirendellis and Anthony Adamo of little league stopped in to speak on behalf of organizations having a safety issue with drop offs not being allowed in the park. They promised to assist in distributing parking placards to help identify sports users as they are entering the park for this season. If field users need a permit for next season they will assist in making that happen for the fall program however it is too late to implement for this season. Out-of-town/travel teams would pay for their own parking. The point was raised that many people would drive up to the parking booth and just say "soccer" because there were no regulations enforced. The solutions are program parking placards and drop off/ pick up placards. These parking placards will designate a span of time before, during, and after game, program, and camp start and end times.

Parking permits are still available for residents and nonresidents. The parking passes are affordable and when broken down to a daily rate, one is spending \$0.37 a day on parking.

A two-lane parking booth approach was suggested: one lane for parking sticker-holders, and the other for parking permit purchases at the booth.

The Recreation Commission recommends a field maintenance fee to be added for the major groups holding permits for the field. Mamaroneck High School, MJSL and Little League is currently not paying to use Village fields for all activities and are not charged a field maintenance fee given their wear and tear. They pay the town for field maintenance, and with the price of seeding the grass multiple times a year being so costly, the Village must charge for the maintenance of its fields.

Harbor Island Park's Fitness itinerary is now expanding with the cooperation of outside contractors from local businesses in the Village. These outside contractors get 80 % and the Village takes a 20% of They do provide their own insurance and assist with marketing. The programs will be in the grassy areas out of the way of field users, and on the beach. The building will be available on days that it is raining. The cost of 1 class would range between approx. \$10- \$20 per class. Classes being added to this summer's programming include Enrich 1 Fitness program, Push Fitness program, and yoga in the park through a local yoga studio and instructor. Classes are open to all and registration for these programs will be available in the office and online.

Proposed idea of constructing fitness stations throughout Harbor Island Park when one can do pull-ups, lifts, weights, and more. A fitness campaign could render the possibility of grant funding.

Harbor Island No Smoking signs proposal was passed on April 30, 2013 in order to keep the harbor healthy. Superintendent feels that the wording of a "smoke here" sign may be sending the wrong message, and having designated smoking areas, with discrete identifying markers. Cigarette butts are mostly found around the senior citizen center and Lanza Field. Enforcement of these designated areas would rest on the park rangers, and police department. Superintendent recommended placing a cigarette but canister where ever there is a designated smoking zone and adding a sign at the entrance of the harbor informing people the park is a smoke free park. Also looking into colored flags for these designated areas instead of using signage that reads smoke here.

Kayaking tours are a new edition to our beach activities this summer. About 20 kayaks will be available for daily tours after camp hours.

Peddle boats are a new edition that will be included in the daily beach activities. Peddle boat trips will be around the boom and back. Maintenance, break down, and storage is being looked into as programming is planned.

Four sail boats have been converted into row boats for camp season. As a safety precaution Tubing has been discontinued from camp's daily activities and replaced with peddle boating.

Harbor Island's new Kickball League's will be postponed to July 7th. The league is expected to run 8 weeks long and currently has two teams registered. A promotional kickball tournament was suggested but may not have enough sponsorship to run.

The beach pass fee schedule was passed and now children ages 3 and above will be charged the daily beach and spray ground fee of \$4.00. The other daily rates are staying the same. Beach will open full time after Memorial Day Weekend.

New parking permits are established and senior citizen parking permits & Village Fire Dept. residents will need to come in and update their current parking pass.

Our Volleyball league's registration filled up to the max, with both evenings being full to capacity.

Pest control options are being explored to help alleviate the growing mosquito and general bug imposition present at Harbor Island especially during softball.

Trustee Santoro Update

Fields for Kids Update: 2 fields in Larchmont are being built now. Any money left over from the fundraising done for that project, will be put toward constructing the new field for Harbor Island Park next year approximately costing \$75,000.

Women's Softball League: Louis will try and acquire one more team to run the women's league. Spring / summer softball fell short of the full 6 team roster. If an additional team does not register, the women's league will be officially canceled for the 2015 Spring/Summer season.

Parks Foreman Update

The village is looking to improve on tennis courts. Florence Park improvements is in the works. Sand has been ordered for the beach. Proposed sprinkler systems for Cunningham and Gronberg Fields are under consideration. Water Works would do it for free, and the Little League will have a meter put in. Majority of Recreation Commissioners in favor of sprinkler system.

Meeting called to a close by Recreation Commission member Steve Scarangella at 8:52pm.

Minutes taken by Kaitlyn Losco, Recreation Leader

Proofed and submitted by Sandy Korkatzis, Recreation Superintendent