

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Meeting called to order by Kerry Stein at 7:39 P.M.

Attendees:	Manny Enes	Veronica Colman	Kerry Stein
	Kathleen Gallaher	Tina Maresca	Dan Margoshes
	Randi Robinowitz		
Absent	Steve Scarangella	Joan Spedafino	
Present:	Sandy Korkatzis – Superintendent of Recreation		
	Barry Casterella – General Forman of Parks		
	Trustee Lou Santoro, Liaison		
	Trustee Leon Potok, Liaison		

Charles Vigliotti, Office Assistant

Previous month meeting minutes were not voted on or approved at this meeting.

VMDC Update – Camp is officially full for the 2017 season with approximately 287 campers enrolled. This number reflects approximately the same number from last year. The camp has added a volleyball specialist to add variety to the sports offerings. There is a gearing up for the training period at this time which will commence on Monday, June 19, 2017. Swimming will be taking place at Hommock's pool.

Sewer Treatment Plant Parking – This issue was brought to the attention of the Police Chief. A possible solution would be to put up temporary signage which would indicate "*No Parking*" or "*Fire Lane*". Wording would be required to be inserted into the Village code to legally change the parking arrangement. Barricades are also an option to prevent parking in these areas. At this time, things are beginning to be put in motion to create the best solution. Lines will be painted to adjust the car space sizes as well. This is an issue which can be addressed with DPW.

Parking Booth Issues – The situation of irate customers has increasingly become a problem for the parking booth attendants. Solutions suggested include the installation of license plate readers and better quality cameras. It was brought up that Playland has both license plate readers and several cameras. There is an effort to reduce the amount of cash which is maintained at the parking booth. Credit and debit cards are still in the works with the IT department.

Playground/Marine Center/Beach – The playground is being damaged on a regular basis. Age appropriate signs should be installed for the playground equipment. Annual inspections for the playground are recommended. Lawsuits can be very expensive due to injury from faulty equipment. Signage can be improved or added for the beach. There should be a panic button installed at the Marine Center. This is going to be ordered.

Dog Park Update – Ward Avenue Park has been proposed as the location for the dog park. There is an unused playground there, plus the park is not frequented very often. Arrangements can be made to have the company who created the dog parks in Harrison and New Rochelle to build ours. Sandy will speak to a consultant and will be setting up an appointment to proceed. We will have the consultant to investigate Stanley Avenue Park as an option at the same time.

Stanley Avenue Park Update – The rubber floor surface project is now completed and it came out great. Parents are happy about the new surface and there is a lot more park attendance because of the install. People are thrilled with the end result. Stanley Avenue Park is additionally being considered for the creation of a skateboard park. Range of cost for installation is between \$50,000 and \$300,000, depending on the scope of the project. Kerry Stein will provide a consultant contact for Barry to reach out to discuss the project. Application of a key-fob system, permits and waivers are all considerations to be addressed going forward.

Columbus Avenue Park – Rubber base installation is being investigated. The current equipment is in good condition.

Lanza Field – There is discussion as to the excavation and replacement of the field due to the many water flooding issues which is caused by the lack of proper repair the field has experienced over the decades. Leon Potok and Lou Santoro will report on this in future meetings.

Waterwheels – The equipment is scheduled to be delivered next week.

Leon Potok/Committee Considerations – The Board of Trustees are looking for feedback from the Parks & Recreation Commission regarding volunteers. It has been suggested that the volunteers be removed from their respective board in the event of three absences in a year. Barring special circumstances, there needs to be a commitment by the volunteers to attend the meetings. The Board does not desire to be in an uncomfortable position for terminating memberships. The rule of three absences and you are removed from the committee was unanimously approved by the commission members in attendance.

Meeting called to a close by Kerry Stein at 8:41 P.M.

Next meeting: Thursday, September 21, 2017

Minutes taken by Charles Vigliotti