

## Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

## Thursday, May 18, 2017

Meeting called to order by Steve Scarangella at 7:32 P.M.

Attendees:	Manny Enes	Veronica Colman	Joan Spedafino
	Kathleen Gallaher	Tina Maresca	Steve Scarangella
Absent	Randi Robinowitz	Kerry Stein	Dan Margoshes
Present:	Sandy Korkatzis – Superintendent of Recreation		
	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.

**Garnet Hill Mobile Boutique Store** – Discussion of the possibility of allowing a mobile boutique in the form of a large container which would be marketing the products from Garnet Hill in September 2017. Products would be sourced from Home Goods and Garnet Hill. The opportunity would provide a percentage of sales revenue to the Village. The container would remain at Harbor Island Park for three weeks. This would be an opportunity to draw additional people into the park. Challenges to this include how this could offend local retailers in the Village. Why aren't their stores featured in the park? A final decision was not made, however this was collectively split with the members in attendance.

**Stand-up Paddle boarding** – The response to this program was positive. A shed has been purchased and will be located next to the Bait Station.

**Concession Stand/Container Update**– The Village would make the investment in the utility hookup for the container. The vendor would make the investment in the equipment. Questions including where would the concession container be located were discussed. Pizza Gourmet, Smokehouse and Walter's have all expressed an interest in pursuing this opportunity. Multiple food trucks present at events was suggested including the concerts in the park, etc. Plug open dates with available trucks.

**Camp update** – Camp is filling up. Combining grades to open up available spaces. Pool spaces are a limitation. The goal is to eventually have separate camps. This would provide better quality. The lunch program is a success. It will provide quality lunch food for the campers. The lockers have been ordered for campers and staff. Waterfront cell phone lockers are also on order due to theft episodes in the past. The swim lessons are a go with the Town of Mamaroneck but are requiring an instructor. Yonkers will send people they suggest for instructors. Camp orientation will be taking place in the High School Auditorium.

**Marine Center/Beach** – Questions as to whether the beach can be open on the weekends prior to Memorial Day was discussed. It will be brought into consideration for next season. The Marine Center will have a soft opening on Memorial Day weekend. The official opening date is June 3. A new Preschool teacher will be replacing Kyle Troy. This person will additionally be a camp director this season.

**Senior Programming** – There is consideration of providing senior programming in the Blue Room when Zumba is not in session. Possibilities include senior exercise, Tai Chi, etc. *Silver Sneakers* has funding available to tap into for these types of programming. Columbus Park is a possibility to offer Tai Chi. Ideally, if three days per week were offered, this should suffice the need for senior programming. This is based on Sandy's experience of running 17 Senior Centers during her tenure in the city of Yonkers.

**Dog Park update –** Veteran's Park in Harrison uses fobs for entrance into the dog park there. There is a fee of \$20.00 which provides access to the dog park. Non-residents are charged \$50.00 per year. The suggestion would be have Sandy speak to a consultant look at the possibility of utilizing Stanley Park for a dog park design. Barry should also be involved in the process of consultation.

**Parks update** – Playground check-up – have Parks employees notice when the equipment is in need of repair. There should be a yearly certificate for inspection.

**Sewer Treatment Plant** – Parking in this area is a big problem. Parents are parking along the field and are blocking cars from exiting from the soccer games. It is especially a problem on the weekends. It needs to be addressed.

Meeting called to a close by Steve Scarangella at 8:26 P.M.

Next meeting: Thursday, September 21, 2017

Minutes taken by Charles Vigliotti