



Village of Mamaroneck Parks & Recreation



Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 15, 2018

Attendees: Kathleen Gallaher Manny Enes
 Tina Maresca Kerry Stein Randi Robinowitz
 Veronica Colman

Absent Lou Santoro Dan Margoshes Veronica Colman

Present: Trustee Lucas, Liaison
 Barry Casterella – General Foreman of Parks
 Jason Pinto – Recreation Assistant
 Charles Vigliotti, Office Assistant

Meeting called to order by Barry Casterella at 7:38 P.M.

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

Camp fees for 2018 Season/Revenues for 2017 – In 2017, the VMDC took in \$290,000 in camp fee revenue while the expenses were \$250,000, leaving a net revenue of \$40,000. Registration was 291 campers with an average of \$999.18 paid per camper. Significant savings were the result of careful planning. Savings on pool use resulted in \$13,508 and bus savings resulted in \$5,730 to the bottom line. Sandy Korkatzis wants to invest \$40,000 into a teen travel camp. This would be a good program to have in place for 13-14-15 year old campers. It would give them something different to do rather than always be at the Harbor. Randi Robinowitz suggested that there be an interest survey taken to determine the level of its popularity for the following year. The teen travel camp will likely not happen in 2018. There was a discussion to increase the amount and differentiation of camp scholarships made available to the public. In 2017, only three campers were fully funded. There has been some abuse of the scholarship program in the past. Inquiries should be made with the Rye Neck schools to determine if there are local families in need of camp tuition assistance. It was agreed that the all-inclusive pricing for the camp should remain in place. Camp tuition fees will not increase for 2018.

Goetz Field Maintenance – The Village of Mamaroneck will take over maintenance of Goetz Field for the foreseeable future. All maintenance will be managed and performed by the Village of Mamaroneck Parks department. A vote was taken for this motion and resulted in a unanimous vote of 5-0 in favor of the VOM Parks department to take over the maintenance responsibilities of Goetz Field. The Parks department will line the fields once the department assumes full maintenance responsibilities for Goetz Field. Additional discussion included which sports should be allowed on the various fields. Rugby should not be permitted on any field. There should be a policy and signage which describes which sports are allowed on the fields and which sports are prohibited. It was suggested that a letter be drafted to describe these specifics. Examples of prohibited sports would include “stick sports” such as Lacrosse and Field Hockey. Other sports such as Rugby and tackle Football would also be prohibited.

Other Parks/Other Issues Discussion – There has been an overwhelming positive response to the new floor surface installed at Stanley Avenue Park. There are plans to duplicate this system at Jefferson Avenue Park. Additionally, Harbor Island Park will eventually require new pathways due to the lifting of the asphalt from tree root systems. The new pathways should be approximately 6 – 8 feet wide (wide enough to allow a truck to drive on it). There was an agreed upon suggestion to have signs put up by the sewage treatment plant to read “NO PARKING” in order to prevent congestion issues for future sports event parking and pedestrian crossing in the area.

Meeting called to a close by Barry Casterella at 8:45 P.M.

Next meeting: Thursday, March 15, 2018

Minutes taken by Charles Vigliotti