



Village of Mamaroneck Parks & Recreation



Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 19, 2018

Attendees: Kathleen Gallaher Lou Santoro
Randi Robinowitz Tina Maresca
Veronica Colman Dan Margoshes

Absent Kerry Stein Manny Enes

Present: Trustee Lucas, Liaison
Barry Casterella – General Foreman of Parks
Sandy Korkatzis – Superintendent of Recreation
Charles Vigliotti, Office Assistant

Meeting called to order by Barry Casterella at 7:40 P.M.

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

Little League Permit & Fields Discussion Resolution – Barry Casterella met with Little League and will make the decision with Paul Sutter on the fields. The fields opened for Baseball on Wednesday, 4/18/18. The Parks staff who works on weekends shall receive overtime pay.

Parks Discussion – Harbor Island Park fields, Softball season, Jefferson Avenue Park – Barry is obtaining pricing on replacing the floor surface in this park. Signs are being created for skateboarding problems in Columbus & Florence Park. The Soccer playing on the basketball courts is ruining the basketball courts. There was an interview done regarding a Permit Monitor for the various parks in the Village. Sandy Korkatzis will send an email to Lt. Gaffney regarding the Park Rangers effectiveness in patrolling the various park misuses throughout the Village.

Softball season opened on Monday, 4/16/18. The bathrooms in Harbor Island Park are planned to open on 4/21/18. There is a plan to have Landtek to aerate and seed the fields by the end of April. A suggestion would be to close the fields one day per week including no cutting of the grass to enable the fields to remain strong and give them a short rest. Wednesdays are thought to be the ideal day for this closure day. Hommock's is closed on Wednesdays as well so this might prove to be an issue for soccer practice. There will need to be a monitor to watch the fields on the day

they are closed to prevent playing on them. It was recently learned that rotating a field will destroy a field over the course of a season.

Superintendent's Update – There are several events planned for the summer season including Tiki Night, *Movies on the Sand*, Family Fun Night, etc. The parking booth and docks will be open this weekend. Regarding parking, the tour company *The Upper Class* has a parking agreement which is \$3,000 per year. It was agreed that FASNY should also pay for parking once the parking booth opens. The Marine Education Center has its opening Day on 4/28/18.

Summer camp registration is good – exceeding last year's numbers for the same time period. There are good enrollment numbers for early morning drop-off and extended day as well. It was suggested that we implement a camp survey for 15-year olds to determine what trips they would enjoy to see integrated into the camp trip schedule for next year.

AED machines will need to be updated this year. There are plans to install one at the Marine Education Center as well. The new machines will need to have the ability to match the connectors for the EMS personnel equipment. We are looking into renting a golf cart for the season for various convenience uses including permit monitoring, etc. The camp permit was received, beach permit was done, inspection done. We are hiring a new kayak instructor for camp. The SUP Westchester program is running for the 2018 season. This is an excellent program which utilizes the boat ramp for launching the paddle board into the water.

The Harbor Island Conservancy has approached Sandy to implement a new walkway project for paths along the East basin and other areas of Harbor Island Park. They would like to create a pathway which is easy for seniors to maneuver and which will be wide enough to drive a vehicle on. They would like to see a trial section installed which would cost approximately \$30,000 to install. Barry and the engineers will be involved in the install. They are considering a porous rock material or shredded rubber. Total cost would be \$90,000. People will want to see the product before they buy into it.

Art Council has scheduled concerts and we are awaiting a final schedule prior to a printed guide. Suggestions from the Commission include paving the lot by the sewer treatment plant, painting the no parking lines and install signs for No Parking as well.

Meeting called to a close by Lou Santoro at 8:25 P.M.

Next meeting: Thursday, May 17, 2018.

Minutes taken by Charles Vigliotti