



Village of Mamaroneck Parks & Recreation



Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 20, 2018

Attendees: Kristen Vetter Randi Robinowitz Veronica Colman
Dan Margoshes Tina Maresca Emily Marshall

Absent Manny Enes Kathleen Gallaher

Present: Barry Casterella – General Foreman of Parks

Meeting called to order by Barry Casterella at 7:39 P.M. Dan made motion, Tina seconded.

General Foreman of Parks Update – There are a total of 57 benches in Harbor Island. 54 have new cement slabs under them completed to prevent mud forming under them. Three are left to be completed. A question was asked about the progress of the swinging benches by the West Basin? They are going to be removed.

Florence, Warren and Stanley Avenue Parks have been resurfaced with rubber surface. Next on deck for surface replacement is Jefferson Avenue Park and Columbus Park. New basketball hoop and pole at Jefferson Ave. Park is going to be installed. We received a quote for new LED lights for Columbus Park for approximately \$8,000. New village LED lights was approximately \$900K.

New backstop for Lanza field is badly needed. VOM is applying for a MLB grant and getting a quote for new LED heads & fuse boxes on the light poles. Lanza Field needs to have all the clay removed and new gravel laid underneath. Infield replacement will cost approximately \$50,000. Goetz Field is now managed by the Village.

The Parks & Recreation Commission Board would like all fields to be considered for refurbishment.

Tony Vitetta retired from the Parks Department.

Recreation Update – There was a question raised about the enrollment of the Happy Harbor Play program. Currently, enrollment is about seven children. Two specially trained staff members are required. Children aged three, four and five-year old's attend from 9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. There is no afternoon program in place currently. For \$4,500/year per child, revenue is approximately \$31,500. Commission would like to understand the profit/loss for this program.

Veronica wanted follow-up on the spray ground improvements. What has been done?

Turkey Trot was a big success with 200 more participants than last year! Thank you to Jason and Charles for their work.

Tree Lighting Social event was smaller due to inclement weather but went well and 90 photos were taken with Santa.

The board wants to look at the VOM long-term capital plan.

MJSL combined with Larchmont Soccer several years ago and now is called LMFC Harbor. Dan and Tina would like the Recreation Department to run the program. Parent volunteering is down and there is a shortage of referees. Weekend responsibilities have become excessive for Tina and Dan.

Randi was nominated to be Parks & Recreation Commission Chairperson by Dan. Veronica seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Meeting called to a close at 8:15 P.M.

Next meeting: Thursday, January 17, 2019.

Minutes recorded at the time of meeting by Randi Robinowitz and subsequently transcribed by Charles Vigliotti.