

VILLAGE OF LAKE IN THE HILLS PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING

December 5, 2019

The Parks & Recreation Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Lake in the Hills Village Hall Board Room. Those present were Members Wackerlin, Cairns, Andrea, Anderson, Sandage and Chairwoman Tredore. Member Lupo arrived shortly after at 6:32 p.m. Also present were Community Services Director Fred Mullard, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation Megan Sandven and Customer Service Specialist Megan Schnaebele.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEM

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the Parks & Recreation Board meeting of October 3rd, 2019 was made by Member Anderson and seconded by Member Andrea. Member Wackerlin stated there is a grammatical error in the October minutes. Member Andrea made a motion to approve the revised minutes of the October 3rd, 2019 and seconded by Member Cairns. The motion was approved by a voice vote of 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS-FACILITY USE DISCUSSION

A. Larsen Property: Assistant Director Sandven reopened the discussion of the Larsen Property with a recap of previously discussed ideas. Member Andrea asked what the top three options were at this time. Sandven responded that the most popular options at this time are a fitness pad, splash pad and a combination use. Member Anderson suggested the idea of a fully handicapped playground and provided details to other Members on what that included. Sandven then broke the Members into three groups. Each group was provided with a large print of the Larsen property. The Members were instructed to narrow down the ideas that they would like to Group one consisted of Members Anderson and Sandage. Group two consisted of Chairwoman Tredore and Member Andrea. Group three consisted of Members Lupo, Cairns and Wackerlin. Discussion commenced among the members. Members then shared the ideas their groups concluded on with the room.

NEW BUSINESS

None

STAFF REPORTS

A. Community Pass Overview: Assistant Director Sandven provided an overview of a few upcoming events hosted at Village Hall. Sandven also discussed the transition of duties regarding maintenance and final tasks related to the project at the Ford School House. The Public Properties division of Public Works will be responsible moving forward. Sandven also discussed two Eagle Scout projects that were recently completed commenting that their finished work looks great. Sandven then gave a status update and brief overview of the new software, Community Pass. Sandven indicated that 2020 Winter/Spring brochures are set to hit mailboxes the first week in December. Sandven presented a preview of community pass and advised that all residents will have to create new accounts. Sandven informed members that the new software allows for system generated text messaging, instructor access and hopes to have facilities available for reservation by early spring. Lastly, Sandven discussed recent sponsorships from Home State Bank for Flurry Fest, NovaCare for the Holiday Lights Bus Tour Hot Cocoa Bar and Melody Living for a senior luncheon with Parks & Recreation.

B. Ryder Park October Biba Report: Assistant Director Sandven provided a brief overview of the October Biba report for Ryder Park. Sandven commented that it is nice to see that it is still being used at this time.

TRUSTEE LIAISON REPORT

Trustee Murphy was not in attendance.

MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Andrea thanked the Parks & Recreation staff for all of the hard work they do for the community.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Walter Weinert asked the board and department of Parks & Recreation to please bring back the 5k and 10k run events. Weinert expressed that there is growing interest for such events. Member Andrea added that these events have been cancelled in the past due to low enrollment and that people have to show interest in order for these events to take place. Assistant Director Sandven added that the 5k and 10k races will be included in the Winter/Spring brochure but will be contracted out to the same group that handles the triathlon. Weinert advised that he participated in these races thirty years ago and that the hills provide one of the most challenging race courses in northern Illinois.

ADJOURNMENT

Member Andrea made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Anderson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a voice vote of 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Submitted by,

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