

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING

JUNE 1, 2023

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. Roll Call was answered by Members Wackerlin, Cairns, Sivakumar, Donahue, Carman, Vice-Chairman Andrea, and Chairwoman Tredore.

Also present were, Director of Parks and Recreation Trevor Bosack, Recreation Superintendent Kim Buscemi, Superintendent of Public Properties Scott Parchutz, and Recording Secretary Dana Popovich.

Audience Participation

None

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the Parks and Recreation meeting minutes of May 4, 2023 was made by Member Wackerlin, and seconded by Vice-Chairman Andrea. The motion was approved by a voice vote of 7-0.

Old Business

None

New Business

A. Informational Item concerning the July Parks & Recreation Board Meeting Date

Parks and Recreation Director Trevor Bosack and staff are wanting to reschedule the July 6, 2023 Parks and Recreation Board Meeting due to availability and proximity to the Independence Day holiday. Staff is proposing Tuesday, July 18 at 6:30 PM. The Board agreed with the date change.

B. Avalon Park and Jaycee Park Playground Replacement

Director Bosack and staff released a Request for Simplified proposals on May 17, 2023. The RFSP asked playground design firms to develop design concept plans for Avalon and Jaycee Park. The RSFP requested that concepts include one traditional design and one custom or non-traditional design.

Specific to Avalon Park, the following language was drafted for consideration when developing concept designs: Avalon Park amenities should include a comprehensive site review and suggestions for improvement. Replacement swings should be included. The concepts should include a minimum of one traditional structure and, preferably, one custom design or nontraditional structure (such as a natural playground, ropes playground, etc.) designed for ages 2 to 12 that is ADA accessible with playground safety signage. Additional park features such as alternative surfacing, benches, shade structures, landscaping, etc. will be considered as well.

Specific to Jaycee Park, the following language was drafted for consideration when developing concept designs: Jaycee Park features a dual hoop basketball court with an adjacent playground. Recent site visits, along with the physical location of this park has indicated a user group that ages out of the 2 to 12 playground recommended ages. The Village is seeking to replace the existing playground equipment with a traditional or non-traditional playground for ages 5-12, as well as features that would be appropriate for children as they advance in age and skill, but appealing to teens as well. Examples including climbing boulders, ninja warrior equipment, commercial grade hammocks or communal gathering spaces. The Village is interested in considering proposed other amenities that



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complement the space such as alternative surfacing, benches, shade structures, an additional ½ basketball court, charging station, etc. Additionally, the existing playground is surrounded by plastic borders which should be replaced with a concrete border. Please list the concrete border cost out separately for consideration. Replacement swings should be included.

Board members discussed the merits of each replacement project and decided to not move forward at this time. The Parks and Recreation Board directed Director Bosack to invite the community to participate in focus groups to help best determine the future of the replacement projects.

Staff Reports

Superintendent of Parks and Recreation Kim Buscemi reviewed past and upcoming events.

Superintendent of Public Properties Scott Parchutz reviewed staff reports.

Village Trustee Liaison Report

None

Member Reports

All Members provided updates on the parks that they visited in the past month.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Vice-Chairman Andrea, and seconded by Member Cairns. The motion was approved by a voice vote 7-0.

There being no further business to discuss, the Parks and Recreation Board meeting was adjourned at 7:41PM.

Submitted by

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