PARKS AND RECRATION BOARD MEETING

February 01, 2024

Call to Order

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

Also present were Director of Parks and Recreation Randy Splitt, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation Kim Buscemi, Recreation Supervisor Teresa Chapman, 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 January 4, 2024 was made by Vice-Chairman Andrea and seconded by Member Cairns. The motion was approved by a voice vote 0f 6-0.

Old Business

None

New Business

A. LITH Parks and Recreation Affiliate Groups

Lake in the Hills youth sports affiliates were present to introduce themselves to the Board, staff and each other. The Lake in the Hills Youth Athletic Association, Goal Soccer, Junior Eagle Football, United Cricket Foundation, and the Century Cricket League were in attendance. Each group introduced their organization and shared with the Board their 2024 season. Director of Parks and Recreation Randy Splitt said each group appreciates the working relationship with the Village in assisting in their operations. The affiliate groups shared their concerns of building their participant base and asked for ways the village could assist. Director Splitt informed the Board that additional areas of the Village website are promoting each of the groups to assist with awareness. Questions were discussed on improvements to the parks that included lights and indoor facility space. The Board asked if those areas would help increase the participation level. Affiliates felt that it would. Director Splitt asked each of the organizations to share the Parks Master Plan Survey with their organizations to assist with developing the future of the Parks and Recreation services. Affiliates were requesting areas for field improvements and bathrooms, Director Splitt will be discussing those areas with their individual affiliate pre-season meetings. Director Splitt informed the Board that staff will be meeting with each affiliate to review their affiliate agreements, 2024 fees, and obtain their insurance requirements. Staff will schedule meetings on site to walk and review the expectations of the grounds and facilities that each group utilizes for their programs and finalize all park usage requests and dates. With these meetings, it will allow for staff to meet with the groups utilizing the parks and establish working relationships that will better serve the Lake in the Hills community and identify areas for improvement.

Director's Report

Director Splitt reviewed the Director's Report.



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A highlight included welcoming the Parks and Recreation Department's new Recreation Supervisor Teresa Chapman. Recreation Supervisor Chapman discussed her past experience and where she worked previously. She also shared what her responsibilities in her new role would be. The Board welcomed her.

Staff Reports

Superintendent Buscemi reviewed the Staff Report.

Village Trustee Liaison Report

None

Member Report

The Board inquired about the upcoming Parks Master Plan Community Input Meeting. Director Splitt said according to the Open Meetings Act the only conflict would be if more than three (3) Board Members attended it would a quorum and a special Parks and Rec meeting. Two (2) Board Members said they would be attending. Director Splitt remarked that there wouldn't be an issue.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Member Sivakumar and seconded by Vice-Chairman Andrea. The motion was approved by a voice vote 6-0.

There being no further business to discuss, the Parks and Recreation Board meeting was adjourned at 7:56PM.

Submitted by

Dana Popovich

Recording Secretary