

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014, AT THE WILLOWBROOK VILLAGE HALL, 7760  
QUINCY STREET, WILLOWBROOK, DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Cobb called the meeting to order at the hour of 7:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Those present at roll call were Chairman Richard Cobb, Commissioners Lorraine Grimsby, Laurie Landsman, Robert Pionke, and Doug Stetina.

ABSENT: Commissioners Ronald Kanaverskis, Carol Lazarski, Rene Schuurman and Ramona Weigus.

Also present was Superintendent of Parks and Recreation Kristin Violante.

A QUORUM WAS DECLARED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – OCTOBER 7, 2014

The Commission reviewed the October 7, 2014 minutes.

MOTION: A Motion was made by Commissioner Grimsby and seconded by Commissioner Stetina to approve the October 7, 2014 minutes as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Chairman Cobb, Commissioners Grimsby, Landsman, Pionke, and Stetina.  
NAYS: None. ABSENT: Commissioners Kanaverskis, Lazarski, Schuurman, and Weigus.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

4. REPORTS

A. *Park News in Brief*

Pumpkin Fest

Superintendent Violante stated that Gower's Pumpkin Fest took place on Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Stetina stated there were a large number of people in attendance. The Village received money from the Gower PTO to help cover costs. Willowbrook/Burr Ridge Kiwanis donated money to pay for taffy apples.

Commissioner Stetina advised that more kids were requesting taffy apples with no peanuts. Superintendent Violante stated she will order more plain apples next year. Commissioner Lazarski also volunteered at the event.

### Playground Group

Superintendent Violante stated Commissioner Stetina and three residents will be part of a group to help pick out the new playground equipment at Willow Pond Park. The meeting will be held on Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

### Whole Foods Halloween Event

Whole Foods conducted a tasting event. The Parks Department sponsored a game for the children in attendance. Thank you to Commissioner Grimbsy for helping out at the event. Commissioner Grimbsy requested a name tag she can wear to events such as this. Superintendent Violante indicated she would order her one.

### Aeration of all parks

Superintendent Violante advised that money had been placed in the 2013/2014 budget to aerate all Village parks. The aeration has been conducted.

### Removal of tires from Borse

The tires have been removed from around the volleyball courts at Borse Park. They are currently at the Village's Public Works building. Thanks to Commissioner Pionke, the EPA has been contacted to properly dispose of them.

Commissioner Lazarski entered at 7:07 p.m.

## 5. OLD BUSINESS

### A. OSLAD Grant for Willow Pond Park

Superintendent Violante advised that included in the Parks packet was a resolution that was adopted at the Village Board meeting on October 27<sup>th</sup> rejecting the bid that was received for the pond dredging. Only one bid was received and it was well above budgeted estimates.

Superintendent Violante stated that additional surveys of the pond have been conducted and indicate there is not as much silt in the pond as was previously thought. Further investigation will be conducted to see if dredging is necessary.

### B. Village Race

Superintendent Violante advised that the Village Race was approved by the Village Board at their last meeting. Commissioner Pionke, Commissioner Schuurman, Police Detective Tim Kobler, and Superintendent Violante will be meeting to move forward with race plans. The race is scheduled to be held on Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, beginning at Borse Park. Commissioner Pionke has volunteered to be the Race Director.

Superintendent Violante stated that several local businesses have expressed a desire to help sponsor this event.

Commissioner Pionke advised his priority is to run a safe and well-received race and then build the race from there.

#### C. Master Plan

Superintendent Violante indicated there will probably not be a lot of money budgeted for discretionary park items in the 2015/16 Fiscal Year due to the money being allocated for the Willow Pond and Lake Hinsdale park projects. The Commission discussed the following several small projects that could either still be completed this year or possibly fit in next year's budget:

- Borse Memorial Community Park

Expansion of a multi-use trail, a water mister, vending machines, and possibly replacing the ball fields drains were discussed. Superintendent will look into the vending machines.

- Creekside Park

Relining the basketball court at an estimated cost of \$1,500 will be completed in the spring.

- Farmingdale Park

The limestone sidewalk between the pedestrian walk and the playground will be replaced with cement. The \$3,500 costs will come out of next year's SRA levy.

A limestone path can be installed between the cement sidewalk and the path near the basketball courts and can be paid out of the regular Parks budget.

Relining of the basketball courts will hopefully be completed by the end of this fiscal year.

- Lake Hinsdale Park

Since the Village received the ComEd grant, grading, drainage, and the walking path will be completed. Landscape enhancements will also be installed.

- Prairie Trail Park

The Village has received \$50,000 for a DECA grant to install a picnic shelter.

- Ridgemoor Park

Benches, bubble aerator, and landscape enhancements will need to be reviewed for priorities.

- Waterford Park

Superintendent Violante advised that she received a quote to link the limestone walking path to the playground. This will be completed during the current fiscal year.

Chairman Cobb advised that because of the Willow Pond and Lake Hinsdale Park projects, there should be no additional funds submitted for Capital Projects.

Commissioner Stetina suggested that money be placed for new playground equipment at Lake Hinsdale Park.

D. 2014 Holiday Party

Superintendent Violante presented the Commission with postcards that will be mailed to all Willowbrook residents. After discussion, some word changes/additions were made.

Superintendent Violante stated there have been donations so far of \$1,300. Chicken Basket will be donating fried chicken legs. 7-11/Citgo will be donating donuts, pizza, and coffee. It was suggested that Superintendent Violante try and get cookies donated again.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Lake Hinsdale Park

Commissioners Landsman, Cobb, Superintendent Violante and Mayor Trilla recently met with representatives of Midtown Athletic Club. The club is interested in contacting Lake Hinsdale Village to help renovate the tennis courts. The athletic club could then offer summer camps for kids at both Lake Hinsdale Park as well as the tennis courts.

B. 2015/2016 Budget

See discussion in Old Business – Item 5C – Master Plan

7. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

There was no correspondence or communications.

8. VISITORS' BUSINESS

There was no Visitors' Business.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Stetina, seconded by Commissioner Landsman to adjourn the meeting at the hour of 7:44 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Chairman Cobb, Commissioners Grimsby, Landsman, Pionke, and Stetina. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Commissioners Kanaverskis, Lazarski, Schuurman, and Weigus.

UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

PRESENTED, READ and APPROVED,

December 2, 2014

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Chairman

Minutes transcribed by Executive Secretary Cindy Stuchl.