

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2016, AT THE VILLAGE HALL, 835 MIDWAY DRIVE,
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, Ron Kanaverskis, Laurie Landsman, Robert Pionke, Rene Schuurman, and Doug Stetina.

ABSENT: At time of Roll Call – Commissioner Carol Lazarski

Also present were Temporary Interim Superintendent of Parks and Recreation John Fenske and Administrative Intern Tiffany Kolodziej.

A QUORUM WAS DECLARED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MARCH 1, 2016

The Commission reviewed the March 1, 2016 minutes.

MOTION: A Motion was made by Commissioner Landsman and seconded by Commissioner Grimsby to approve the March 1, 2016 minutes as presented.

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

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

***NOTE: Commissioner Lazarski arrived at 7:05 p.m.

4. PRESENTATION – ORGANIC TURFCARE PROGRAM VENDORS

Chris Borisek, Pure Prairie Organics; and Jeff Swaro, Dig Right In; gave presentations on their companies and organic lawn care services.

After presentations were concluded, the consensus of the Commission was to use the blended approach recommended by Pure Prairie Organics.

5. DISCUSSION – SPECIAL EVENT UPDATES/PLANNING

a. Easter Egg Hunt – March 26, 2016

Interim Superintendent Fenske thanked Commissioners Pionke, Schuurman, Grimsby, and Lazarski, and Trustee Sue Berglund for their assistance in the egg hunt. Two police explorers and five students from Hinsdale South Key Club also helped with the event. Approximately 200 children and their parents were in attendance. Chick-fil-A and Jimmy Johns distributed sandwiches. Interim Superintendent Fenske advised that he sent thank you letters to Kiwanis Club, Chicken Basket, Chick-fil-A, Walgreens and Jimmy Johns.

Commissioner Pionke suggested that at future egg hunts, there should be some extra bags for the children that did not bring anything to collect the eggs.

b. 2016 5K Fun Run – May 1, 2016

Commissioner Schuurman advised that almost \$10,000 in sponsorship money has been received. CARA (Chicago Area Runners Association) has measured and certified the course. Postcards have been sent to all residents about the race and a letter will be sent to the residents that live along the race route to alert them of parking restrictions.

Commissioner Schuurman stated that 40 runners have signed up, not including the sponsor runners.

Interim Superintendent Fenske advised that there are new sponsors this year: Little Sunshine Playhouse, Meatheads, and Proforma Impressions.

c. Co-Rec Softball

Interim Superintendent Fenske stated that as of today's date, there are three less teams that have signed up.

6. DISCUSSION – ANNUAL PARK LANDSCAPE FERTILIZATION CONTRACT: CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVE ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY SERVICES

See Item #4.

7. DISCUSSION – FY 2016/17 BUDGET PROCESS

Interim Superintendent Fenske related that the budget is awaiting final approval. Funds have still been placed for the Willow Pond Park project if the grant funds are released.

8. VISITORS' BUSINESS

There was no Visitors' Business.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

Interim Superintendent Fenske stated that he had received a letter from a resident in Lake Hinsdale Tower asking if the Lake Hinsdale Park can be renovated for garden plots.

Interim Superintendent Fenske advised that he met with an Eagle Scout reference a project at Ridgemoor Park.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Stetina, seconded by Commissioner Landsman to adjourn the meeting at the hour of 8:45 p.m.

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

UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

PRESENTED, READ and APPROVED,

May 3, 2016

Chairman

Minutes transcribed by Executive Secretary Cindy Stuchl.