

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2016, AT THE VILLAGE HALL, 835 MIDWAY DRIVE,
WILLOWBROOK, DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Stetina called the meeting to order at the hour of 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Those present at roll call were Commissioners Lorraine Grimsby, Ron Kanaverskis, Laurie Landsman, Carol Lazarski, Rob Pionke, and Doug Stetina.

ABSENT: At time of Roll Call – Chairman Richard Cobb and Commissioner Rene Schuurman.

Also present were Village Trustee Sue Berglund and Temporary Interim Superintendent of Parks and Recreation John Fenske.

A QUORUM WAS DECLARED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 6, 2016

The Commission reviewed the September 6, 2016 minutes.

MOTION: A Motion was made by Commissioner Landsman and seconded by Commissioner Grimsby to approve the September 6, 2016 minutes as presented.

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

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

***NOTE: Commissioner Schuurman arrived at 7:04 p.m.

4. DISCUSSION – PROPOSED LAKE HINSDALE PARK TRAIL DEMONSTRATION GARDEN

Interim Superintendent Fenske reviewed a letter received from Lake Hinsdale Tower residents on the proposed garden plots. Lake Hinsdale Tower resident, Barbara Bozek, spoke to the Commission and related what steps she and other residents of the building are wishing to do with the garden plots and forming a Garden Club. Ms. Bozek advised that they would like to create a demonstration garden and beautify the park. Ms. Bozek stated that she has numerous residents of the building that are committed to making and keeping the park nice. Commissioner Stetina advised that there has been Garden Clubs in the past that has disbanded due to lack of interest.

***NOTE: Chairman Cobb arrived at 7:13 p.m.

Commissioner Schuurman reminded the Commission that the garden plot proposal was voted down by the Village Board. There were issues related to parking and function of the plots. Commissioner Schuurman advised that the discussion needs to be how to put plots back into the renovation plan that will take into account what the Village Board's concerns were.

Interim Superintendent Fenske advised that the main issue was the rules and regulations of the garden plots. Interim Superintendent Fenske stated that he had received policy manuals from several communities and has narrow the guidelines down to approximately 25 categories.

Chairman Cobb thanked the numerous residents for attending tonight's meeting. Commissioner Landsman asked for a consensus from the Commission to approve the residents to spruce up the area around the park entrance sign since this would not require Village Board approval. Consensus was given.

Chairman Cobb requested that Interim Superintendent Fenske prepare an operation manual and bring to the next Commission meeting for review. Once it has been completed, manual can then be brought forward to the Village Board for approval.

The consensus of the Commission was for the residents to go ahead and fix up the area near the park sign. Village Board approval is not required for this work.

Members from the Lake Hinsdale Tower Homeowners Association (HOA) were also in attendance. The Commission advised that one of the main issues with the garden plots is parking. Posted signs show private property and would deter other residents from using the park. The Commission advised the HOA that there needs to be some accommodations made. The HOA members stated that they will discuss the issue with their full HOA board at their next meeting.

Interim Superintendent Fenske advised that the company that won the winning bid for the park renovations has not submitted the required paperwork per the signed contract. He stated that Administrator Halik has requested if the Commission had a consensus to move the contract to the second lowest bid. Consensus was if the current contractor cannot complete project when promised, then move to the next bidder.

5. DISCUSSION – SPECIAL EVENT UPDATES/PLANNING:

- a. Halloween Party with Gower School

Interim Superintendent Fenske related that the Halloween Party will be held on October 28, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Taffy apples and bags have been ordered. Gower PTO will be running games for the kids.

- b. Children's Holiday Party, HSHS – December 11, 2016

Interim Superintendent Fenske advised that as of today's date, he has received \$1,575.00 in donations. He has received gift certificates from Hinsdale Nurseries and LaVida Massage. Chicken Basket has again donated chicken drumsticks. Dance Duo will be donating ice cream.

6. VISITORS' BUSINESS

Residents of Lake Hinsdale Tower that were in attendance at tonight's meeting thanked the Commission for their commitment to the Village.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Stetina advised that an article will be sent to the Willowbrook Post for their November issue highlighting the Veterans' Memorial at Willow Pond.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Made by Chairman Cobb, seconded by Commissioner Pionke to adjourn the meeting at the hour of 8:37 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,

November 1, 2016

Chairman

Minutes transcribed by Executive Secretary Cindy Stuchl.