

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARK COMMISSION HELD IN THE
BOARD ROOM AT 318 LAKEVILLE ROAD ON
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2019 AT 7:30 P.M.**

PRESENT

Larry Farkas, Commissioner
Rob Gal, Deputy
Suzanne Browar
Dina Burachio
Marian Lee
Kara Mindel
Mario Ranieri
Jonathan Witt
Spyro Dimitratos, Alternate

ABSENT

Lori Burkhoff
Michael Cohen
Sharon Perlson
Marc Voses
Stephen Kanfer, Alternate
Eileen Sarroff, Alternate

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Farkas at 7:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES- December 3, 2018

Jonathan Witt motioned to accept the minutes of December 3, 2018 as presented, seconded by Kara Mindel and unanimously approved.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Commissioner Farkas reported that the Board of Trustees approved the proposal from Gold Coast Tennis for the seasonal reconditioning of the tennis courts subject to Commissioner Farkas negotiating a smaller increase in 2019 pricing.

CONCESSIONAIRE

There has been no interest in anyone taking over the concession stand therefore the plan to use Culinart will move ahead. Trustee David Milner, the House Committee Chairman, will be asked to start facilitating Culinart's transition to supply food service to the pool.

BALLFIELD UPDATE

Deputy Gal gave a presentation to the Commission to update everyone on what issues have come up after the completion of the environmental field renovation project with regard to the track's impingement into the current location of the ballfield and soccer field. The Commission viewed photos of the area and discussed options to redesign the set-up of the ballfield and bleachers. They also expressed concern that any costs incurred to remedy the field should not come out of the park's budget. Commissioner Farkas suggested that the members take time to make an informal visit to the field to visualize the options. Further discussion and a final recommendation will take place at the next Park Commission meeting.

Deputy Gal offered to also make a presentation to the Board of Trustees at their February meeting.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Farkas reported that Rain Rich still has not provided the Commission with the details of his proposal to upgrade the tennis court sprinkler system. Other vendors will be contacted for proposals.

SOCIAL MEDIA CHAMPION

The members reviewed the draft of the social media champion responsibilities. A discussion ensued. The job will be offered to a current rec staff employee being they are already on site at

the park. The Commission believes this would better utilize the employee's free time and provides a better resource for current postings to the social media sites. Once staffing is complete the director will be consulted about her recommendation to fill the position. Compensation will be discussed at a future meeting.

2019 PARK RULES/REGS

The Commission reviewed the draft of the rules and regs. A discussion ensued on the changes to make.

A motion was made by Suzanne Browar that all children that require a swim diaper and are not toilet trained be banned from the main pool and only be permitted to use the kiddie pool where a swim appropriate diaper must be worn, seconded by Commissioner Farkas. With 6 no votes and one yes vote the motion did not carry.

A motion was made by Kara Mindel to include, "Track closed during scheduled softball games", seconded by Jonathan Witt. The motion passed with 6 yes votes and one no vote.

A discussion ensued on whether to raise the park fees. A motion was made by Dina Burachio to raise the individual membership fee to \$75 a person with a maximum family fee of \$300, seconded by Kara Mindel. After further discussion the Commission decided that they wanted more time to think about the fees before voting. Commissioner Farkas tabled the discussion until the next meeting and Dina Burachio withdrew her motion.

CAMP UPDATE

Commissioner Farkas informed the Commission that he had an informal meeting with the camp board and camp director at their request so that they could update him on the results of their open house.

The camp needs a Water Safety Instructor (WSI) by law to teach swimming to the campers and the person they have been using has left. They have offered to pay for one person of the Village lifeguard staff to take the WSI course to become certified. Commissioner Farkas will discuss with the pool Director.

The camp also reported that they have 5 non-resident families with a total of 9 children that expressed interest in enrolling. The feedback that the camp received is that the additional \$1,500 park fee is too high and if the fee was lower they would consider enrolling. A discussion ensued. Kara Mindel motioned to decrease the non-resident camp fee to \$1,300 for 2019 seconded by Marian Lee. The members voted on a call of the roll.

Commissioner Farkas yes

Suzanne Browar no

Dina Burachio no

Marian Lee no

Kara Mindel yes

Mario Ranieri no

Jonathan Witt yes

The motion did not pass.

The Commission reviewed the current park family membership fee for non-resident grandchildren campers of resident grandparents. The fee will remain unchanged at \$500 for 2019.

ELITE POOL & FITNESS

Discussion of the proposals from Elite Pool and Fitness to sandblast and paint the pool were tabled until quotes from additional companies are received. Commissioner Farkas suggested that the quote for the management of the pool not be considered for this year. He informed the members that staff overtime can be better managed this year and the net cost of \$20,000 by using the management company over what the Village's cost to run the pool might be better spent on

needed improvements.

DIRECTOR CONTRACT

Commissioner Farkas reported that both Denise and Jilian expressed an interest in returning this summer. A discussion ensued regarding the use of co-directors.

On a motion by Commissioner Farkas, seconded by Suzanne Browar the Commission moved into executive session at 10:05pm to discuss staff performance. Commissioner Farkas reconvened the regular meeting at 10:10pm and since no action has been taken there are no minutes.

Commissioner Farkas motioned to renew Denise Hernandez as director and to elevate Jilian Weihs also to director with 2019 compensation to each of \$7,000 base pay and a \$3,300 completion sum. The director's agreement will include wording "Director will be responsible to report to work even when not regularly scheduled for a particular day in order help cover staffing shortages including lifeguarding duty". The motion was seconded by Marian Lee and unanimously approved. The director compensation is unchanged from last year. The increase in Jilian's compensation from assistant director to director is \$2,000 base pay and \$1,200 in completion sum.

On a motion by Commissioner Farkas and seconded by Dina Burachio the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dianne Morrissey,
Park Commission Secretary