

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARK COMMISSION HELD IN THE BOARD
ROOM AT 318 LAKEVILLE ROAD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2014
AT 7:30 P.M.**

PRESENT

David Milner, Commissioner
Margery Binder
Dina Burachio
Michael Cohen
Robert Gal
Vincent Lentini
Kara Mindel
Sharon Perlson
Eileen Sarroff
Jonathan Witt
Suzanne Browar, Alternate

ABSENT

Fred Handsman, Deputy
Scott Fishbein
Chabi Deochand, Alternate

Also present: Amanda Morrissey, Recreation Director

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Milner at 7:35 P.M.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES- December 2, 2013

Sharon Perlson motioned to accept the Minutes of December 2, 2013 as presented, seconded by Eileen Sarroff and unanimously approved by all those present.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Amanda gave an update on the 2014 staffing. Last year's staff was asked via email to respond about their intentions to return. There are currently three new applicants for gate guard positions. Amanda anticipates having a staff of between 15-20 lifeguards and 11-12 gate guards for the season. Commissioner Milner asked for Amanda's input on how many assistants she may need. She explained that it worked well having two directors last season and it provided ample coverage. She would be fine with one assistant. Each of them would be scheduled for a full 5 day work week which would lend itself to better monitoring of the facility.

The Commissioner reported that Amanda had recommended someone for him to consider for the assistant director position and the candidate was asked to provide a resume. He interviewed the candidate, Aileen McGonigle, over the holidays due to her availability to meet at that time and found her to be an exceptional prospect with relevant experience for the position. Commissioner Milner asked the members if anyone else would also like the opportunity to interview Aileen so that another meeting could be arranged. The Commission members reviewed her resume and discussed her qualifications and determined that another interview was not necessary. As a result, Commissioner Milner motioned to offer Aileen McGonigle the position of assistant recreation director for 2014 at a total compensation of \$7,500 with \$5,000 to be paid during the season and \$2,500 paid upon successful completion of the season, seconded by Sharon Perlson and unanimously approved.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Commissioner Milner reported the BOT rejected the Park Commission's motion to eliminate the Park fees for 2014 as they couldn't justify doing away with the income that helps offset the budget deficit created in running the pool.

MUSICFEST

Commissioner Milner reported that the planning of the details is progressing. He will inform the members of updates for informational purposes as Musicfest is not considered a Park Commission event.

2014 RULES/REGULATIONS

The members reviewed the rules and regs. Continued discussion and approval will take place at the March meeting. Commissioner Milner will speak to the tennis pro about any changes in next season's lesson fees.

Vincent Lentini will research the cost of purchasing permanent bases for the ball field. The men's softball team that plays on Wednesday evenings will be asked to contact the police chief to coordinate alternate parking for the team members on scheduled court nights.

PARK EVENTS

Suzanne Browar will come up with ideas for a camp style "color wars" event for adults and will report back at the March meeting.

Dina Burachio will contact Tom Cataldo to see if Culinart had interest in sponsoring an event at the pool.

CONCESSIONAIRE

The Park secretary will contact the concessionaire for his decision on returning for next season.

LIFEGUARD/GATE GUARD CONTRACTS

A motion was made by Vincent Lentini to approve the lifeguard and gate guard contracts as presented, seconded by Eileen Sarroff and unanimously approved. Due to the NYS minimum wage increase of \$.75 effective December 31, 2013, Commissioner Milner motioned to increase the starting salary for gate guards to the prevailing rate of \$8.00 per hour and to give an equitable increase to all returning recreation staff members of \$1.25 per hour (\$.50 historical increase upon return plus the \$.75 minimum wage increase) seconded by Vincent Lentini and unanimously approved.

PARK NEEDS

Final quotes from DPW for the improvements and repairs needed for the 2014 season will be submitted for review at the next meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 3.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dianne Morrissey
Park Commission Secretary