



Village of Mamaroneck Parks & Recreation

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Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

VILLAGE HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

REGATTA BUILDING, 123 MAMARONECK AVENUE, MAMARONECK, NY 10543

Attendees: Kristen Vetter Tina Maresca Manny Enes Cindy Fasolino Carlo Reca
Randi Robinowitz Karri Sergio Kathleen Gallaher Emily Marshall Dan Margoshes

Absent

Present: Barry Casterella – General Foreman of Parks
Jason Pinto – Recreation Supervisor
Nora Lucas – Trustee Liaison to PRC

Meeting called to order at 7:39 p.m. by Randi. The minutes from the January meeting were approved unanimously.

Little League Discussion of Closing of Harbor Island Park for Three Weeks in June – Paul Sutter and Mike Dugan of Larchmont-Mamaroneck Little League are introduced to the group and are in attendance this month to address the U.S. Open closing of the Harbor Island Park fields from 6/5/2020 – 6/22/2020. Paul stated that the loss of Gronberg and Cunningham Fields were less of a concern, the main issue is the loss of Goetz Field. This is because that the age range of 11-12-13-year old kids can only play on Goetz Field; it is the only field that has the proper dimensions for this age group. As they manage an organization that includes approximately 350 kids, the LMLL is scrambling to find fields that don't exist. Flowers Field in New Rochelle is full of previously booked permitted games. Tina suggested possibly to utilize Flint Field. They will be losing approximately 63 games and the service of 503 kids in the community. Jason will advocate to get all the affected groups the most amount of field time possible. We will ask the USGA to discuss actual dates and any flexibility for parking and field usage. There appears to be a lack of communication taking place. Barry said that information was sent out six months ago to this effect. Nora suggested to make an agreement to avoid the chaos. There is the expectation of overtime costs, crazy parking all over the place. There is hope that the USGA does not require as much time as originally thought.



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Dog Walking in Village Parks – Update – The discussion of the dog walking issue is on the agenda with the Board of Trustees next Monday. There were a couple of changes presented, give permission to walk the perimeter of the East & West Basins and do not allow the dogs on the fields or in the playground areas. The suggestion of a retractable leash ban was overruled by the BOT, however, they are only allowable with a length of 6ft. Carlo asked who would be enforcing the dog laws, perhaps a Code Enforcer? The answer is yes, and Jerry had a plan to deal with it.

Comprehensive Master Plan Discussion – Kristen suggested that they remove the teen nights from the plan as these had ended many years ago. There was the concern about prioritization for parks based on a capital budget. Barry stated that there is a five-year plan introduced for new equipment and projects. There exists a rough draft for this currently and there are plans for its finalization by the fall.

Election of PRC Chair and Vice Chair – The PRC is a self-electing group. Randi offered to continue as the Chair, all were in favor. Tina was nominated as the Vice Chair.

Event Request Discussion – St. Patrick’s Day Parade – The event will cost \$600.00 for the fee this year. We should take the 12 months going forward to negotiate next year’s fee. Nora suggested to use this example as a case study to see how to proceed with this type of event.

Event Request Discussion - NEDA (National Eating Disorders Association) – There will be approximately 1,500 people attending this event. According to Jason, they pay without a problem and take in a lot of donations at the event.

The meeting was called to a close at 8:50 p.m. by Kristen.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall Conference Room located at 123 Mamaroneck Avenue at the Regatta, Mamaroneck, NY 10543.

Minutes were taken by Charles Vigliotti.