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**RECREATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 21, 2010, 5:30 P.M., PARKVIEW ROOM**

1. Call meeting to order.

Present: Chairperson Torkelson, Trustee Meser, Trustee Nelson, Gary Zwirlein, Susan Baumann-Brefka, and Dick Hinchcliffe

Also present: Village Manager Dave De Angelis, Recreation Director Amy Jeske, and the press.

Absent: Annette Malloy, Carolyn Sullivan

2. Approval of minutes from the November 19, 2009 meeting

Nelson moved and Hinchcliffe seconded approval of the November 19, 2009 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

3. Review and action on Junior Guild Auction requests

Torkelson explained the Junior Guild made a request for several auction items for its annual auction. Two of the items include the rental of the pool and gazebo with four dates listed. Jeske clarified that only two dates would be used and the other two would be released after the auction. Zwirlein questioned if the auction requests would limit rentals for residents and Jeske stated that it would not interfere.

Zwirlein moved and Meser seconded approval of the Junior Guild's auction requests from the Recreation Department. Motion carried 6-0. Torkelson noted that the auction theme is Champagne Safari and is scheduled for March 27 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Wauwatosa. Heather Ferber is the main contact for the event.

4. Review and possible action on For Profit Use of Park Facilities 204-4 ordinance

Torkelson stated that staff made changes to the ordinance based on recommendations from the committee and if the changes are approved the ordinance should be sent to the Legislative Committee. Nelson noted that under item A, the word business should be included along with personal and non-profit use. Nelson added that under item h, being responsible for clean-up is not the same as repair to damage. Jeske stated that the gazebo renters sign a waiver that they will be held responsible for fees associated with damage repair and De Angelis added that a statement regarding damage should be added to the ordinance to back up the waiver. De Angelis noted that in the definition of Park Facility the wording should state "land, area, structure, equipment or feature of or within a Village park+rather than just the park+.

Zwirlein stated that he was comfortable sending the ordinance to the Legislative Committee with the added changes. Torkelson inquired if the Board of Trustees would determine if fees should be assessed and De Angelis noted that could be done by resolution. De Angelis added that the Board approves the fee schedule in its entirety not specific items. Nelson suggested adding a line item of park fees if needed and Torkelson questioned if the line should be added under item 7. De Angelis stated that the Board should be given the ability to create fees and Nelson suggested adding park facility rental fees to the regular fee schedule. De Angelis explained that the Board could change fees anytime and he would work with the Village Clerk/Treasurer to develop fees consistent with the current format.

Nelson moved and Baumann-Brefka seconded approval of the For Profit Use of Park Facilities 204-4 with the changes discussed. Motion carried 6-0.

5. Review and action on 2010 Recreation Program Fees

Jeske stated that the fees presented to the committee were used to develop the 2010 budget and the Recreation Department's budget for 2010 is self-sustaining for the first time. The fees increased from 2009 to cover the expenses associated with the new recreation registration program as well as a higher facility charge. Jeske added that committee member Malloy could not be at the meeting but noted that Malloy asked to increase the non-resident daily pool admission and pool pass fees to help with overcrowding at the pool. Baumann-Brefka disagreed with raising the non-resident pool fees since Wauwatosa is so close to the community. Baumann-Brefka inquired if any other comments were received to increase prices and Jeske noted that there were none. Zwirlein concurred with Baumann-Brefka that the pool fees should remain the same as presented. Zwirlein questioned if the prices were consistent with other departments and Jeske confirmed that the prices were similar. Zwirlein inquired why some fees

increased more than others. Jeske explained that a formula is used to determine fees and the program fees are based off enrollment from the past year and the instructor wage requirements.

Meser moved and Zwirlein seconded approval of the 2010 recreation program fees. Motion carried 6-0.

6. Review and possible action on 2010 Bike Safety program

Jeske explained that St. Mary's approved the use of the school parking lot for the bike safety program. The initial goal was to hold it the same weekend as the Catch the Spirit Run to share the cost of a tent but the Brookfield Police Department were not available on June 12. The current date being pursued is June 5 which is also the same date as the pool opens. There is free admission to the pool on June 5 so the bike safety participants could ride their bikes to the park after the event. Torkelson inquired if the Elm Grove Police Department could help with the event and Jeske explained they could not because of money was not budgeted for overtime. Jeske added she would check with the Citizens Police Academy for volunteers.

7. Update on 2010 Tunes on Tuesdays concerts in the park

Jeske stated that the Tunes on Tuesday dates are June 22, July 20, and August 3. The Elizabeth Brinn Foundation donated \$500 and Jeske is working on obtaining other sponsorships. Jeske added that Jim Ryan from the Elm Grove Business Association has been working to help choose bands and to try to have Elm Grove businesses sell food at the concerts. Torkelson noted that the Women's Club grant deadline is February 15. Nelson suggested listing the concerts in the newspaper in the community events section. Zwirlein inquired about the cost of each concert. Jeske stated that each band costs \$800-1200 and if enough donations are received additional concerts could be added.

8. Update on winter park activities

Jeske stated that sledding went well during the month of December and early January. The skating rink did not open because it had not been cold enough to make ice. There was a week that Public Works started to flood the rink but the weather warmed up again before there was enough ice for skating. Hinchcliffe noted that kids were walking into the park with skates and Jeske stated that people do go on the pond. De Angelis explained that going out on the pond is at people's own risk.

9. Other business

The picnic table and tree donation brochure is finalized. The brochure can be viewed on the Village web site or picked up at Village Hall. Jeske will also include information in the 2010 Summer Activity Guide. Baumann-Brefka inquired if residents could make a donation for less than the amount of a tree or bench. De Angelis stated that they would be encouraged to donate enough for the entire cost of a tree or bench.

10. Adjournment

Hinchcliffe moved and Zwirlein seconded to adjourn. Motion carried 6 . 0. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Jeske, Recreation Director