

RECREATION COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

February 18th, 2021 4:00pm P.M., Park View Room

1.) Call meeting to order

Trustee and Chairperson Irwin called the meeting to order at 4:07pm.

Present by Zoom: Trustee and Chairperson Kim Irwin, Mrs. Allison Kelly, Trustee Katy Cornell, Dr. Susan Retzack, Mr. Wes Parkin

Absent: Trustee Tom Michalski, Mr. Joe Coffey, Mr. Ryan Black

Also Present: Mr. Jerod Mikkelsen, Recreation Director

2.) Review and Approve Meeting Minutes Dated January 21st 2021

Dr. Retzack motioned to approve minutes as written Trustee Cornell seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

3.) Winterfest Update

Mr. Mikkelsen presented his Winterfest 2021 update and stated that the weather was very cold that day and had a smaller event than usual due to COVID-19. Throughout the event there were 25 people that attended.

Trustee and Chairperson Irwin believed that the low attendance was due to marketing and promotion of the event. After further discussion the committee asked that in the future to search out for sponsorships to help with the event cost.

4.) Summer 2021 Update

Mr. Mikkelsen updated the committee on his progress for planning for summer 2021. He stated that he is started working on 4th of July as well as getting ready for other programs. Mr. Mikkelsen stated that he is working with Third Space Brewing to come up with possible ideas for the summer events. Mr. Mikkelsen also stated that he would like thoughts of how the committee would like him to structure the pool operations for this coming summer. He stated that the plan they had in place last summer overall worked well. Mr. Parkin asked if there was any consideration of a ribbon cutting for the splash pad. After discussion the committee asked that there be a gathering to celebrate the opening of the splash pad. Trustee and Chairperson also requested that Mr. Mikkelsen please send a draft copy of the upcoming Summer Recreation Guide for the committee to review. After discussion the committee asked that the recreation guide information be available sooner so patrons can better plan for events and programs in the summer.

5.) Old Business

Trustee and Chairperson Irwin asked for an update on the Elm Grove Tennis Academy. Mr. Mikkelsen that he working with the Village Manger on structuring the program and will be presenting their proposal to Mr. Bonfilio next week. Trustee and Chairperson Irwin asked for an update on the bench locations that were recently approved. Mr. Mikkelsen stated that there is one person interested in donating a bench and requested a one-sided bench. Trustee and Chairperson asked for an update on the renaming of the South Park Facility and asked the importance of re-naming the park and its history. Mr. Mikkelsen stated that this has been a goal of the Recreation Department for many years and the actual name of South Park Facility was considered a temporary name. Dr. Retzack added that there has been no significance in the past with the park and was considered a wet land and many years ago inquired about having a dog park in that area. After discussion the committee asked Mr. Mikkelsen to look further into the possibility of having a dog park in the South Park facility and discussing with the Village Manager.

6.) New Business

No new business was reported

7.) Adjourn

Dr. Retzack motioned to adjourn meeting and Mr. Parkin seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 4:52pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jerod K. Mikkelsen, Recreation Director