

**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
June 18, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Waverley called the Special Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission to order at 6:02pm.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chairman Alice Waverley, Commissioners Steve Keane, Gregory Moore, Heather Hester, Darren Baker, Chris Boruff

Absent: Commissioner John George

Others Present: Marty Brennan, HPTA President
K. Fornek, *The Doings/Pioneer Press*

Staff Present: Heather Bereckis, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation
Brad Bloom, AVM/DPS
Sammy Hanzel, Recreation Supervisor
Maggie South, Administrative Assistant
Jillian Boger, Parks and Recreation Intern

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) Approval of minutes—May 14, 2019

Commissioner Keane motioned to approve the minutes of the May 14 meeting as presented. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and all were in favor. The motion passed.

LIAISON REPORTS

a) Gateway Special Recreation Association Report

Ms. Bereckis asked the Commission if they had any questions regarding the liaison report. A 2.5% increase to the budget was approved.

MONTHLY REPORTS

a) Recreation Staff Report – May 2019

Ms. Bereckis asked the Commission if they had any questions regarding the report. She said that pool sales are sitting about even with last year. Chairman Waverley asked about neighborly memberships, since they seem to be selling well. She also requested an update on the Burlington Park fountain. Ms. Bereckis informed the Commission that a crack in the base is being repaired. She will update the Commission with more information. Commissioner Hester asked about the wading pool closures. Ms. Bereckis explained that these were due to maintenance, and that it should be open now barring fecal incidents or weather.

b) Treasurer's Report- explanation of new form

Commissioner Moore explained the new format of the Treasurer's Report to the Commission. The Commission discussed the changes. The Commission is in favor of the new format of the report.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

a) HPTA Naming Request for the Platform Hut

Marty Brennan presented a request for the KLM Platform Hut to be renamed. The request has been forwarded from the Village Board of Trustees for the Parks and Recreation Commission to review. Mr. Brennan noted that paddle tennis exists in Hinsdale largely because of the work of Bill O'Brien, and that Mr. O'Brien has continued to foster the growth of the sport in Hinsdale and other nearby communities. HPTA feels that naming the facility for Mr. O'Brien would be an appropriate recognition of his efforts, both locally and nationally. Commissioner Boruff asked if Mr. O'Brien is still active. Mr. Brennan said that Mr. O'Brien still teaches every Sunday during the winter at KLM for free. He also organizes the Chicago Charities Tournament for various Chicago charities. All of his time is volunteered. The Chicago Charities Tournament Mr. O'Brien organizes has become a Grand Prix Event. Commissioner Boruff asked if Mr. O'Brien has been involved in the most recent agreement. Mr. Brennan explained Mr. O'Brien's involvement, both currently and historically, with HPTA. Commissioner Hester commented that Mr. O'Brien seems to meet all of the criteria of the Naming Rights Policy. Ms. Bereckis reminded the Commission that if they wish to move forward, the issue will be opened for public comment and then next month, the decision will be made to forward it back to the Board of Trustees with their recommendation to approve or deny the request.

Commissioner Moore motioned to post the issue for public comment. Commissioner Keane seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and all were in favor. The motion passed.

b) KLM Lodge Brochure Preview

Ms. Bereckis presented the mock-up of the brochure and business cards for the Lodge. Chairman Waverley appreciated that it looked fresher and more up to date, but asked if this is the only brochure staff has for the Lodge. Ms. Bereckis said that a flyer will be created for non-wedding events, as staff currently does not have pictures of non-wedding events. Commissioner Boruff asked when this brochure would be used. Ms. Bereckis explained that this brochure is used for advertising, especially at wedding shows. Other comparable facilities use their brochures mainly as advertising for wedding ceremony and reception services, even though they also provide other events. A brochure would be put inside a folder for potential clients, and can be swapped out for the flyer for a different type of event, along with pricing and catering information. Commissioner Keane asked if a picture of the Lodge could be used for the cover. Ms. Bereckis said that staff doesn't have a good picture of the Lodge that they have the rights to use. Commissioner Boruff suggested having a photo contest. Ms. Bereckis pointed out that other venues also use pictures of people. Photos that staff currently have access to either have people in them or aren't great pictures of the front of the Lodge. She then asked the Commission if they were in favor of the new business cards and logo. Chairman Waverley suggested hiring a photographer to take pictures of the Lodge and asked for the text of the brochure to be forwarded to them. Ms. Bereckis noted that the website will be designed to match the brochures and business

cards. Commissioner Boruff pointed out that most people do research online, and Ms. Bereckis said that only a small amount of brochures will be printed.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

OTHER BUSINESS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

a) Summer Meeting Schedule

Ms. Bereckis informed the Commission that a July meeting will be needed, and asked if the 23rd was acceptable. A quorum should be present, so the meeting will go ahead. There is no August meeting scheduled. September 10th would be the meeting after that.

b) Commissioner Park Walkthroughs

Ms. Bereckis e-mailed everyone their assignments. The walkthroughs will be discussed at the September meeting.

c) July 4th Volunteers/Parade Participation

Volunteers are fully staffed. There will be no Town Team float this year, due to marcher availability. Everyone's assignments will be e-mailed to them prior to the parade.

No progress has been made on the pickleball courts due to the weather. Ms. Bereckis said there are tentative plans for an opening, which the Commission will be invited to.

Ms. Bereckis reported that Taco Tuesday was very well attended. Staff will try to expand on the event next year. Ms. Hanzel updated the Commission on the success of Brew and Q.

Chairman Waverley requested an update on the pool report, as well as monthly reports on pickleball and the paddle tennis hut. Mr. Bloom said that the pool report will be ready for the July meeting. Chairman Waverley also requested an update on the parking lot resurfacing at KLM. Ms. Bereckis provided updated dates and plans for the resurfacing project. Ms. Bereckis provided information on the new Dog Ordinance. Photo season at KLM went smoothly. Ms. Bereckis also provided an update on the KLM Event Hosts and Parks Maintenance job openings.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Baker motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Boruff. A voice vote was called and all were in favor. The motion passed. The special meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was adjourned at 7:01pm.

ATTEST: _____
Maggie South, Administrative Assistant