

VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
Monday, January 21, 2013 @ 6:30 PM
Memorial Hall Board Room

Chairman Kluchenek called the meeting of the Park and Recreation Commission to order at 6:42 p.m. at the Memorial Hall board room.

Members Present: Chairman Kluchenek, Commissioners Owens, Otto and George

Members Absent: Commissioners Mulligan, Banke and Griffin

Others Present: Trustee Geoga and Kimberly Fornek, The Doings Newspaper

Staff Present: Gina Hassett, Director of Parks and Recreation
Linda Copp, Secretary

Commissioner Owens moved approval of the December 17, 2012 Park and Recreation Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Otto seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Liaison Reports

- Administration and Community Affairs Committee

Ms. Hassett stated that ACA didn't meet and the approval of the Articles of Agreement for Gateway will be on that agenda. Five of the seven communities have voted to pass the agreement and only Elmhurst voted no to the agreement. Chairman Kluchenek stated that the Sub-Committee continues to look at the issue. Chairman Kluchenek asked Ms. Hassett to include the minutes from Gateway in the packet.

- Gateway Special Recreation Association Report

Commissioners did not have any questions regarding Gateway.

Monthly Reports

Ms. Hassett commented on the reports. The summer brochure is being worked on. Ms. Hassett stated that 2nd interviews are finished for Kurt's position and an offer will be made this week. They have focused on aquatics experience. There were 150 applicants and HR concentrated on those with aquatics experience.

Ms. Hassett hopes that the candidate will stay 3 – 5 years. Chairman Kluchenek asked a question about the budget and the items that are over budget for repairs and maintenance. Ms. Hassett explained that most are activity program reimbursable expenses. Ms. Hassett explained that account 3420 expenses are the platform tennis repairs for the lights.

Ms. Hassett explained that there have not been many items like picnic benches and tables purchased because they are not budgeted. Ms. Hassett will include a verbal summary in the reports in the future and what is included under contractual services.

Ms. Hassett stated that it is undecided if there will be ice this year. It is a 7-10 day project to make ice at Burns and by that time it will be February. Staff will look at alternatives for next year and address the topography at Burns. If a rink is made at other parks, there would not be a warming house or lights. Commissioner Otto stated that he has heard that people think the village is saving money by not making ice.

Ms. Hassett stated that staff didn't always use the liners and involves overtime for public works employees. Kids have been skating at Melin since Christmas but it is a much smaller rink. Commissioner Otto stated that the biggest issue at Burns will be the hockey players. They take over the rink. Ms. Hassett stated that freezing the tennis courts is an option that is being looked at for next year, but there would not be lights and posts would be in the way.

Commissioner Owens asked the Commissioners to come up with options for next year. Chairman Kluchenek stated that it is a good idea to consider the options and give scenarios.

KLM

Chairman Kluchenek asked Ms. Hassett about Jennifer Braun at KLM. Chairman Kluchenek asked if Jennifer could do a presentation at the next meeting for how she is marketing KLM. Chairman Kluchenek also requested that Jennifer attends meetings on an occasional basis.

Ms. Hassett stated that a part time lodge manager has also been hired for 15-20 hours per week that can help with contracts during the evening times. Ms. Hassett stated that she will have Nicole attend the meeting as well.

Commissioner Owens stated that she recently saw an ad for KLM. Ms. Hassett stated that there will be some more advertising in bridal magazines.

Pool Update

Ms. Hassett stated that staff is working on the summer book. Ms. Hassett stated that the lead pool manager will probably not be back this summer. It will be another transitional year at the pool.

New Business

Golfview Hills Homeowners Request

Ms. Hassett explained the request for a reduced rate to the pool. Ms. Hassett stated that they are levied a park district tax. Chairman Kluchenek asked what it means to be unincorporated and do they pay for village recreation services. Trustee Geoga has not heard much about Golfview Hills becoming incorporated. They are considered non-residents for any activity registrations.

Ms. Hassett did a brief formula and residents are paying about \$85 per person for recreational services to the village. Chairman Kluchenek asked if they would receive a discount on other services. Ms. Hassett explained that residents in Golfview could pay a fee to be able to participate in other programs as a resident. Clarendon Hills does offer a friendly rate to neighboring communities.

Ms. Hassett believes that the non-resident rates are high, but they are less than country club rates. Commissioner Owens asked if this would be just for Golfview Hills. Ms. Hassett explained that Countryside partnered with LaGrange Park District and Countryside residents can register as residents with LaGrange. Ms. Hassett explained the options that could be available. Chairman Kluchenek stated that it is an opportunity for more revenue. Commissioner Owens stated that a lot of people that live there are grandparents and believes that the option could make good sense for them.

Commissioner Otto likes the idea of a flat fee being paid for the Golfview Hills residents to “buy” themselves residency from the Parks and Rec standpoint. Chairman Kluchenek asked the Commissioners if anyone wanted to explore options with Gina. Commissioner Otto will work with Gina on the issue.

Adjournment

Since there was no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner George moved to adjourn. Commissioner Owens seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting of the Park and Recreation Commission meeting was declared adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Copp, Secretary