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VILLAGE OF RIVERSIDE
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD REGULAR MEETING
Monday, August 22, 2022
7:00 pm
Minutes

- I. Call to Order** – The Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board was held on August 22, 2022. Chairperson Kos called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
- II. Roll Call** – Present: Elizabeth Kos
John Mcglennon
Jennifer Dvorak
Collen Incandela
- Absent: Sean O’Brien
- Also Present: Ron Malchiodi
- III. Approval of Minutes** – July 25, 2022
- IV. Presentations and Public Comment**
None.
- V. Unfinished and Deferred Business**
A. Registration Policy Discussion
There were no comments on the registration policy
- VI. New Business**
A. Hiring for Before/After School Program

The Board stated their need help for the Before & After Care program and proposed that if anyone is interested; they should be urged to apply through the website. The Board added that more information should be available on the website as well. The Board would like to see 16 applicants, as enrollment numbers are up from where they have been in previous years. The Board stated that school begins Wednesday, August 31. The program has 50 Central School students registered for the program, while Blythe School has around 30 students. The Board mentioned that the Department no longer has the Kinder Kids Program, as District 96 now has all day Kindergarten. However, there are more registered students in the Before & After Care Program for those students. The Board stated that this will be a good offset and introduction to Parks & Recreation programming for those families. The Department will also be attending the Kindergarten Picnic at Central School. Director Ron Malchiodi will send out information on hiring Before and After School counselors for Board members to disseminate.

B. Approval of Meeting Dates 2023

The Board reviewed the proposed meeting dates and Director Malchiodi will send the agreed upon dates to Village administration.

VII. Program and Facility Updates

A. Special Event Review

The Board stated that the Department is in the tail end of the special event season. Cruise Night #3 was on East Avenue & Pine Avenue. Director Malchiodi requested feedback from the businesses on how it went being in a different location; some loved it and others don't care for it. Malchiodi stated that the location at East & Pine Avenue is weather contingent due to vehicles having to park in the grass by the Water Tower. Next year, the Department will send a letter out to all the businesses surrounding the location for the year. The Department may not be doing a Car Show this year and may elect to do 4 Cruise Nights instead.

The Haunted Drive through will start at roughly 2:00 p.m.

The Tour de Proviso will include Riverside, Broadview, Bellwood, Maywood and other communities involved in Visit Oak Park. Director Malchiodi worked with the communities on registration forms and waiver language. The event will start at Guthrie Park, go through the Brookfield Zoo, come back into town through the 1st division, back down Riverside Road, down Burlington and end in Guthrie Park. There are roughly 150 participants already registered. The ride rotates each year and Riverside will be hosting it this year. The Board discussed if local businesses will be able to participate and who else may participate from the other communities. The event is live today on the Oak Park website.

Director Malchiodi is working on setting up something with disc golf, including determining where the Board would want them. The Board stated that if the Department can start with 4 or 5 and build up from there that would be great.

VIII. Director Report

A. Financial Report

None.

B. Operational Report

None.

C. Maintenance Report

None.

IX. Trustee Report

None.

X. Chair Report

The Board has 3 individuals who are willing to be founders of the foundation - Val Drenth, Otto Miller, & TJ Johnson. The founders can write bylaws and decide how many they want on the Executive Board, subgroups, etc.

XI. ***Adjournment***

Chairperson Kos asked for a motion and second to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: John Mcglennon, Jennifer Dvorak, Collen Incandela

NAYS: None

Meeting Adjourned At 7:48 p.m.