

Board of Commissioners of Cultural and Recreational Affairs meeting of April 20, 2016. Meeting was opened at 7 p.m. by K.E. Ocker at the Community Park pool. Commissioners viewed the reconstruction of the bathrooms, locker rooms and offices. Tour was led by Mr. Ocker explaining the use of new rooms, materials used, location of fixtures. Commissioners walked to the refurbishing of the playing fields at Community Park as Mr. Ocker explained what had been accomplished and what phase the refurbishing was in with also an exchange of questions and answers.

Preliminary: Resident Comment Time: - any comments can be made relating to agenda items. Mr. Lucano handed out a letter from Mr. Jim Valenti, recently sent to the Garden City News in reference to using the hockey rink for basketball pickup games during the pool season. He wants the rink only to be reserved for hockey playing and not host other sports.

1. Call to Order:

Attendance: K.E. Ocker, M. Ryder, P. Manley, T. Stapleford, K. Moody, K. Russo, J. Courtney  
Absent: none

Trustee Liaison: Richard Silver – present

Others Present: Rikki Massand, Bill Lucano, Ed Fronckwicz, Sandy Young, Tom MGerty, Lori Kampe, Steve Espey

2. Disposition of Minutes of February 8, 2016, Motion was made by P. Manley to approve the minutes as written, 2<sup>nd</sup> by K. Russo and unanimously approved.

Disposition of Minutes of March 16, 201, Motion was made by K. Moody to approve the minutes as written, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Courtney and unanimously approved.

3. Deferred Matters:

4. Announcements/Correspondence

5. New Business:

Senior Center: Program or Access fees: After discussion P. Manley made a motion to bring up the current room rental fees to include \$100 more an hour if alcohol is served with a security deposit 50 % more or \$750 for alcohol served. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by T. Stapleford and unanimously agreed. Room rentals will apply to residents only. Also discussed was Senior Center user fees and what programs would have a fee. Staff will speak with the senior committee and discuss program fees.

Shared Use of Facilities: School District: The Recreation Department requested help with field usage from the school district while the Community Park fields are under construction. It is a process to request and receive permission to use a field from the school district which is not always reliable or equitable. It was discussed for requests from the school district should reflect proportionally recreation requests for field usage. Commissioners will discuss the situation with their school district POA representatives.

6. Other Business: Pool Registrations - Last incentive to end April 30, 2016. Discussion about extending guest pass incentive, interns will continue to call residents who have not joined the pool and remind them about incentive.

Indoor Turf Facility: Mr. Ocker has been asked to explore the possibility of having an indoor turf facility. He is forming a committee from Commissioners who volunteer to find out what kind of usage would be needed and who would be interested in using the building. Committee members would visit other indoor facilities and report their findings.

7. Reports:

- a. Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Cultural and Recreational Affairs – K.E. Ocker reported the NYSR & Parks Association had a conference on Long Island this week. The conference included excellent programs and educational sessions. There was a senior citizen luncheon today hosted by Walk Street Restaurant for 120 residents.
- b. Assistant Superintendent – E. Fronckwicz handed out a form which showed how many new pool memberships were sold to date compared to last year's figures.
- c. Any Commission member wishing to report:
  1. M. Ryder- asked if there were be any repairs at the platform tennis courts. Mr. Ocker answered that once a year the courts are assessed and any repairs are taken care of. Also inquired about the new camp to be held at the pool this summer, T. McGerty explained that the camp will be games, activities and swimming, scheduling is still being worked out. Registration will begin after the pool opens.
  2. P. Manley – asked if the new fields were convertible? Mr. Ocker answered that community park field # 3 will be convertible. Mr. Manley asked if the streetscape committee was still meeting. Mr. Ocker said yes, they would have one more meeting. No large project will be taking place within the next year.
  3. T. Stapleford – no report
  4. K. Moody – no report
  5. K. Russo – complemented the parks department on the beautiful flowers in the Village especially the colors. Ms. Russo mentioned the new pool at the Lifetime Gym in Garden City might pose some competition for the Village pool with monthly memberships offered.
  6. J. Courtney - asked if the lights by the Community Park tennis courts could be checked. Ms. Courtney asked about the customer service training. Mr. Ocker replied that the training will begin May 5; there will be morning and afternoon session and a DVD of the whole session for employees who cannot make the session in person.

8. Adjournment 9:45