

Board of Commissioners of Cultural and Recreational Affairs meeting of February 8, 2016.  
Meeting was opened by K.E. Ocker at 7:35 p.m.

Preliminary: Residents Comment Time: - any comments can be made relating to agenda items. Joe Griffin from the Garden City Athletic Association had questions about a new fee for participants in intramural programs that use Village sports fields. Mr. Ocker explained the fee per season for each registered participant in intramural programs. Mr. Griffin said that with new fees he would like to see an upgrade of the fields. Mr. Ocker said the department is committed to upgrades for the playing fields with new products, irrigation, equipment and manpower.

1. Call to Order

Attendance: K.E. Ocker, M. Ryder, P. Manley, K. Moody, K. Russo,

J. Courtney

Absent: T. Stapleford

Trustee Liaison: Richard Silver – present

Others Present: Rikki Massand, Elizabeth Tully, Joe Griffin, Ed Fronckwicz, Sandy Young, Tom McGerty, Lori Kampe

2. Disposition of Minutes: Motion was made by K. Russo to accept the minutes as written, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Courtney and unanimously approved.
3. Deferred Matters: Fees for room rental at the senior center. After discussion, motion was made by P. Manley to set fees for room rental at \$250. Per hour to rent the large gathering room with a security deposit to be established and \$150. Per hour for the small room/or room divided with a security deposit to be established. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by K.E. Ocker and unanimously agreed.
4. Announcements/Correspondence: – None
5. New Business: None
6. Other Business:       1. Intramural Participation Fee, Mr. Ocker stated that there was support from almost all the sports organizations for the new participation fee to offset the costs of installing turf fields and renovating other fields. After discussion, the fee is to be assessed to participants in intramural sports, including travel teams for each season there is a registration, spring, summer, fall, winter. Organizations will only be

responsible for participants registered. Also discussed were other ways to collect revenues, such as a fee for a leisure pass, and sponsorship programs. Motion was made by J. Courtney to charge each participant in a sports intramural program a fee per season \$15. effective, June 1, 2016. 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Ryder and unanimously approved.

2. Pool Camp – A new pool camp will be held for 3 weeks in July with activities for children including a swim session each day for pool and non- pool members.

3. Capital Improvements to Cluett Hall and Fieldhouse. Included in the Capital Budget Plan are upgrades to Cluett Hall and the field house including refurbishment of all floors, walls, restrooms and exterior, fascia and doors.

4. Final Submission of the Pool Budget – Budget presentation will be March 10, to the BOT and public. Commissioners are invited to attend and encouraged to show support. In reference to the pool, residents that join the pool before April 1, will receive a 5% increase and two free guest passes, after April 1, the fee will go up 10% and no guest passes are included. New family memberships for first time members will be offered a \$50. discount. Previous members that have not joined in the past year will be offered a 10% discount. Individual and Senior individual, plus non- resident caregiver memberships fees will stay the same as last year with 2 free guest passes but will be 5% more after April 1, and no guest passes.

In reference to “Party Under the Stars Night” at the pool, no entrance fee for members, guest fees will apply and food and drinks will be additional charge.

7. Reports:

Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Cultural and Recreational Affairs- K.E. Ocker reported the Senior Center will have an Open House on February 28, from 3 to 6 p.m. A promotional and marketing company has been hired to create a new postcard for the pool with new information about this summer’s events. Two interns from Adelphi University are going to assist the recreation department with marketing the pool. Also, reported that an Eagle Scout has contacted Mr. Ocker in reference to a project to upgrade the dugouts on field # 2.

b) Assistant Superintendent – E. Fronckwicz no report

c) Any Commission member wishing to report:

1. M. Ryder had asked about the Street Scape Plan, Mr. Ocker stated that our Parks Department takes care of the flowers and trees in the Village and a focus group has been

formed to define the likes and dislikes of the Village appearance and reports back with any suggestions and improvements to restore and/or construction ideas.

2. P. Manley – no report

3. T. Stapleford – absent

4. K. Moody - had questioned some construction decisions at the pool and asked if the Commissioners could be invited to a tour at the pool when construction is completed.

5. K. Russo - No report

6. J. Courtney – asked about the private swim lessons at the pool and what kind of compensations do the lifeguards receive. Also suggested “Sunset Yoga” at the pool for adults.

8. Adjournment 10:30 p.m.