

MINUTES OF JUNE 20, 2023 RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

TO: Board of Commissioners of Cultural and Recreational Affairs

DATE: June 20, 2023 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: Garden City Pool

Preliminary: a: Welcome to new member John Cantwell
b: Resident comment time – No Resident Comments

Call to Order:

P. Blake ___X___ M. Ryder ___X___ C. Siragusa ___X___ G. Li ___X___

W. Garry ___X___ K. Russo _____ J. Courtney ___X___ J.Cantwell ___X___

Others: Sandra Young, Steve Espey, Camryn Casey, Felicia Lovaglio, Jackie Flynn
Rikki Massand, 1 Resident

1. Disposition of Minutes:
April 26, 2023. On a motion by Mr. Garry, seconded by Ms. Courtney, the April minutes were approved unanimously.
2. Deferred Matters:
a: Field conditions update. Mr. Sullivan shared his recent visits to Floral Park and Manhasset, both of which are using the Alternative Earthcare Organics program. While Floral Park/Bellerose fields were not in good condition, the Manhasset fields were.
Mr. Blake told the Commission of the planned work to be undertaken at the St. Paul's fields, and which fields would be closed for renovations.
3. Announcements/Correspondence:
4. New Business:
a. Senior Center. Mr. Blake reported on the re-opening of the Senior Recreation Center and the repairs that have been made to the floor. Also noted the HVAC system has been replaced.

b. Use of Community Park Fields. Mr. Blake reported that there has been an increase in both non-resident use of the fields, and non-permit use of the multi purpose turf field. A part time employee is being hired and will be assigned to police the fields and check permits of groups using the fields. A brief discussion was held regarding the possibility of installing a higher fence around this field. After discussion, this idea was put on hold.
5. Other Business:
a. Capital Projects Update: Mr. Blake reported on the current Recreation projects
The work on the tennis court at Nassau Haven will begin shortly
The Tullamore tennis court work is currently out to bid
The Community Park retaining wall project will begin shortly
The project to replace the tennis building fabric is out to bid
The project to replace the mini golf course has been awarded, work should begin shortly

b. Pool Membership update: Mr. Blake reported that memberships are on track to meet projections, but that a spell of hot weather could really be used to encourage people to join. Mr. Espey reported on the plans for the management of the pool, and some of the programs which are planned

6. Reports:

- a. Paul Blake
- b. Staff Reports
- c. Any Commission member wishing to report:
 1. J. Cantwell: Mr Cantwell asked if the Department keeps attendance records at the daily park summer programs. Mr. Blake replied that numbers are kept of arts and craft and softball participants, but general attendance numbers are not kept.
 2. J. Courtney Ms. Courtney inquired about the possibility of an additional residency sign for the area at Second Street and Hilton Avenue. Mr. Blake said Maintenance would look to see if an extra sign was available for this location.
 3. W. Garry
 4. G. Li
 5. M. Ryder
 6. K. Russo
 7. C. Siragusa
 8. M. Sullivan

8. Residents Comment Time – any comments relating to non-agenda items may be made.

9. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm