

VILLAGE OF GRAFTON

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 19, 2016

The Parks and Recreation Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Meg Canepa.

Members present: Chair Meg Canepa, Trustee Tom Krueger, Jim Miller, Joanne Wolf, Mark Slaminski, and Steve Nauta

Members excused: Trustee Lisa Harbeck

Staff/Officials present: Director of Parks and Recreation John Safstrom and Administrative Secretary Charlie Donohue

MINUTES

Motion by J. Miller, seconded by J. Wolf to approve the September 21, 2016 Parks and Recreation Board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

The board welcomed newly appointed board member Steve Nauta.

PERSONS REQUESTING TO BE HEARD

None.

2016 FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER REPORT

Director Safstrom gave an overview of the 2016 Family Aquatic Center Report. He stated attendance, concession sales, swim lessons and facility rentals were all higher than the previous year. He further stated the pool closed for just one day, which is the reason operating expenses were also higher from the previous year.

S. Nauta inquired if the reason for higher attendance was due to the increase in swim lesson registrations or warmer weather. Director Safstrom stated both aided in the increase. He further stated the Department is very fortunate to have skilled instructors teaching swim lessons.

BENCHMARK MEASUREMENTS

Director Safstrom gave an overview of the benchmark measurements. Chair Canepa suggested offering an incentive to those that utilize Survey Monkey. Director Safstrom stated he would look further into this.

OLD BUSINESS

Director Safstrom informed members Celebrate Grafton's Beer Garden will be postponed to 2017. The first Beer Garden date was originally scheduled to coordinate with the Veterans Memorial Riverwalk Ribbon Cutting; however, planning this event in such a short time frame proved difficult. Celebrate Grafton has decided to postpone in order to allow for adequate time to offer a unique event.

Members discussed the Veterans Memorial Riverwalk Ribbon Cutting ceremony, scheduled for Monday, October 31, 2016. J Miller asked Director Safstrom why the ribbon cutting was delayed. Director Safstrom stated the lighting was delivered from Canada, which took longer than expected, and delayed the project.

Trustee Krueger informed members the Wisconsin Humane Society was very appreciative of the \$400 Doggy Paddle Day check they received at the Village Board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

SENIOR REPORT

J. Wolf asked when the parking lot at the Multipurpose Senior Center will be sealed. Director Safstrom stated this project was scheduled to be completed twice; unfortunately, due to bad weather was unable to be completed. He further stated this project will now be completed in 2017.

J. Wolf stated the Fall Color Walk was a success and thanked Director Safstrom for cooking breakfast for all the walkers. She stated this walk was very enjoyable and there was a lot of positive feedback.

Members discussed the upcoming meeting date and agreed to cancel the November Parks and Recreation Board meeting.

ADJOURN

Motion by Trustee Krueger, seconded by M. Slaminski to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Motion carried.