

**Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting
James Harmon Community Center - 44 Main Street
Thursday, June 20, 2019 8 PM**

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Joanne Baecher-DiSalvo (Chair), Anjali Chen, John Dailey, David Downs, Angela Reeve.
Aaron Podhurst (Superintendent-. A quorum is in order.

1. Call to Order
2. Public Comment - none
3. Old Business

- May meeting minutes - send any changes to Angela by Sunday night.

4. New Business

- Upcoming / New Programs -

(reference www.hastingsrecreation.org for program/registration info)

For PreSchoolers -

Little Kickers Soccer - 3yrs - 5yrs, Thursdays or Sundays, June 27 - Aug 4 @ Draper Park
Sports Hoppers and Parent & Me - 2yrs - 3yrs, Sundays June 30 - Aug 4 @ Draper Park

For School Aged Children -

Early Learning Camp & Hillside Camp info is out, registration underway (details on website)
Multi Sports Camp - 5yrs - 11yrs, Aug 19 - 22 @ Zinsser
Summer Kickoff (June Jumpstarts) swim program, grades K-4 June 24 - 28 @ Chemka
Big Splashers, ages 6yrs - 10yrs, weekly sessions Aug 12 - Aug 23 @ Chemka
Little Splashers, ages 3yrs - 5yrs, weekly sessions starting July 1 - Aug 23 @ Chemka Pool
Swim Team, ages 5yrs - 17yrs, weekday mornings June 23 - July 30 @ Chemka Pool

For Seniors -

Reference June 2019 Senior Calendar on www.hastingsrecreation.org for shopping/trips
Senior trip to DIA: Beacon, July 22 (transportation provided)
End of Year Senior Party w/ DJ Bobby James, June 28 @ JHCC

- Dog Park - update

Ginsburg got back to David to indicate they do not like the idea of a dog park on the Village owned 9A parcel adjacent to their property (the Lofts). David will follow up with the Mayor.

- Skate Park - update

(since Mike Jacobs could not be here tonight, he provided an update to the Commission via email). The skate park interest group met with the Mayor, who supported the idea and suggested their project be added to the Parks & Recreation Departments list of short and long term projects. \$50k-\$100k is the goal the group has in mind for their project. To recap, the Hastings UFSD has offered the use of land at the Burke estate. The Village Manager has contacted Aaron to see if we have an InterMunicipal Agreement between the Village and the school district (it would seem that it would be similar to the existing IMA we have for Reynold's playground).

- Chemka Pool - update

Facilities report -> Bath houses painted. Electric hand dryers installed to reduce paper waste. Plumbing issues in the bath house repaired. Computer control panel for the chemical feeder has been a challenge, but it's being addressed. A major pipe/leak has been repaired which now helps the flow rate of the pool's filtration system and in turn will help with the challenges we've been facing with the chemical feeder.

Dobbs Ferry pool will not open this summer as planned. In response to Dobbs' request for consideration to access Hastings facilities, Hastings will sell another 10 individual + 10 family non-resident permits to the Chemka pool. The Dobbs youth camp will rent pool space in the morning for their camps and will cover the cost of Chemka lifeguards/water safety instructors to staff their summer program when at the Chemka pool.

Spray Pool - we're still looking for companies/contractors to do the work.

Staffing - Aaron will monitor the current pool staffing to make sure everything is covered.

- Superintendent's Report

Riverview Park - fencing is done. New program (Sunset Yoga) scheduled for that location.

Uniontown dugout - was replaced and looks great. We coordinated with the general contractor and fencing company. Happy to report that the insurance paid a large part of the cost, and the Village and Hastings Little League shared the remaining cost of the repairs.

Quarry Park - not much new to report.

Rowley's Bridge Extension Trail - no update. Anjali and Aaron will continue to explore grant funding options. It's not really a "trail," but rather an extension and as such it does not really qualify for many grants that would otherwise be considered. Aaron is trying to assess the scope of the work.

Grant rounds are currently open - FYI... Board of Trustees is putting in for a grant for the VFW park. The Village has a steering committee set up to work on this.

MacEachron Park - Fiona Matthews (grant writer for the Village) is looking into possible grant resources through the New York State Parks & Recreation and Historic Preservation to repair the riprap along the shore line (to address the erosion).

Anticipated Capital Future Needs (list) that Aaron has been developing the Commission agreed to move the ranking for consideration of a skate park from "moderate" to "high." Aaron will get the updated list to the Mayor and Board of Trustees. Add to this "list" for year 2024 \$25K for architect fees for design of an updated pool house, and specify ranking as "high."

Anne Schnibbe - stepping down after 40+ years of volunteering with the senior programs. Aaron and Anne Russack presented her with a certificate of appreciation at the recent senior luncheon.

Rivertown Pride Trolley - fyi, on June 22 (Sat) there will be a Rivertown Pride trolley running between Dobbs and Hastings sponsored by LGBT Life Westchester.

5. Meeting Adjourned at 9:30pm

Next Meeting: July 11, 2019 (Thursday) 8pm @ JHCC

Note: No August meeting planned (unless needed). We will resume on September 12, 2019