

Wilton Park and Recreation Meeting Minutes January 7, 2013

In Attendance: Steve Streicher, Board Liaison

Steve Porto, Recreation Director

Kim Brock, Sr. Account Clerk, Secretary to Commission

Members: John Roessner, Chairman

Lynette Robinson, Ken Bishop, Joe Bartol, Brendan Geraghty,

Tom Coons, Mike Myers

I. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Motion to approve the November minutes as originally presented made by Mrs.Robinson. Motion was seconded by Mr. Myers. All in favor.

- III. Director's Report
 - a. Programs
 - 1. Mr. Porto referred the members to the January/February calendar.
 - b. Events
 - 1. We will be hosting our Battle of Coaches on January 26th at 6:00pm. Two divisions will play two other divisions. During half time we have a free throw for adults and for kids with prizes.
 - 2. Ragnar Relay Races will be returning. Mr. Myers believes the tentative date to be September 27, 2013.
 - 3. We will be having a Greater Capital District Pickleball Open Tournament. Mr. Geraghty asked if there are age limits. Mr. Porto replied that there are age brackets.
 - c. Facility
 - 1. Mr. Porto read the list of facility items from the agenda. He noted that there were photographs of the vandalism on the table for everyone to view. He further stated that there was a small area on a piece of playground equipment where our maintenance department was unable to remove some of the spray paint. Mr. Bishop suggested we could contact the playground equipment manufacturer to see if they can recommend a solvent that may work.

IV. Old Business

- 1. Mr. Porto informed the Commission that he attended meetings regarding Wilton Youth Baseball account and he will update the Commission at future Commission meetings.
- 2. Mr. Porto told the Commission that this was a tough year for ice rinks. He said Mr. King went to Voorheesville recently and they will not open their rinks for at least two more weeks. They have had skating for 3 or 4 days so far this year.
- 3. Mr. Streicher said that everyone did a great job on the Tree Lighting and that his children really enjoyed it.
- 4. Mr. Porto gave the Commission copies of a letter that he sent to the School District to go over a couple of minor issues. There is a possibility that one of our sheds is on their property and that will be addressed in the spring. We also had to remove a door off of the F Field dugout shed due to school safety regulations. Mr. Porto said the bottom line is if we proceed with the walking path, we will certainly be required to add more security items. For example: Bollards in certain areas. Mr. Porto reported that the school has asked him to attend a meeting on January 14, 2013 at 5:00pm. Mr. Porto will attend.
- 5. The Town Board has approved a request to move forward with the Dailey Entrance Landscape Project.

V. New Business

- 1. Now that we have all viewed the pictures of the vandalism, we can discuss what can be done in the future. The Town Board has approved a look at new cameras both at the Town Hall and more at the Park. Mr. Porto asked Mr. Streicher to please have the Recreation Department included in the discussions. Mr. Streicher indicated he would. Mr. Porto is pleased that the Town is taking a proactive stance on this issue.
- 2. We will be rejecting the request from Rogue Lacrosse Tournament due to its being held during our busy time of the year.
- 3. We have corrected any findings from the safety inspection and have been re-inspected and approved.
- 4. We need to upgrade our maintenance facilities soon. Mr. Streicher wants the building department included on this topic. Mr. Bishop asked if we move the building, will it then be in conjunction with the Master Plan outline. Mr. Porto said yes. Mr. Roessner asked for a time frame. Mr. Porto said he would like to see it begin by the end of 2013 and completed by 2014.
- 5. Mr. Roessner said our by-laws require an election of a Vice Chairman annually. Mr. Coons made a motion to re-elect Joe Bartol as Vice Chairman. Mrs. Robinson seconded. All in Favor. Mr. Bishop concluded by saying Mr. Bartol has done a great job.
- 6. Mr. Roessner asked for all Commission members to consider a sub-committee for two areas: Fee's/Contract and Initiatives. He further requested that the members email him with their interests as to which sub-committee they would be interested in serving on.

7. Mr. Porto said that Mrs. Dailey said the Dailey Foundation is considering the addition of another set of bleachers in the Dailey Gym. Mr. Roessner said he, too, had knowledge of that consideration.

Adjournment—Mr. Coons made a motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Bishop seconded. All in favor.