

**VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE
WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

(Official Minutes)

Park Commission Monthly Meeting

February 17, 2021

The virtual Park Commission meeting was called to order by Trustee Livingston at 5:02 pm on Wednesday, February 17, 2021.

Members Virtually Present: Trustee Livingston, Sarah Lobdell, Cathy Somers, Zina O'Callaghan

Members Absent: Mary Green, Robin Nuzzo, Jill Wegner

Also Present: Kevin Day, Darryl Fredrick, President Kenny, Theresa Loomer, Tom Marek, Stephanie Smith

Approval of Minutes: January 20, 2021

Commissioner Lobdell/Commissioner O'Callaghan 2nd made a MOTION to approve the minutes as submitted for the January 20, 2021 meeting, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Visitors Heard

None

Announcements

None

General Business

Treasurer's Report

There is currently \$45,365.90 in the Park Commission Funds.

Public Works Report

Kevin Day stated no new updates due to weather.

Old Business

Discuss Duck Pond Field Use Application and Fee Schedule

Commissioner Lobdell had investigated the going cost for field rental and found anywhere from \$50-\$60 per hour for a grass field for practices. The costs that clubs pay for field use is a little harder to find due to the fact it is more private. Commissioner Lobdell stated the problem with hosting tournaments is going to be the parking. Loomer stated she would like to have an application form set up and cost structure in place. Commissioner Lobdell recommended handling the cost structure on a case-by-case basis till the Park Commission has a better idea of demand and suggested maybe using a generic form.

Reschedule Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for New Playground Equipment in Reid Park – Cancelled in 2020 Due to Covid

Trustee Livingston stated the original ribbon cutting even was cancelled in 2020 due to Covid and looking to tentatively reschedule for May 14th at 4pm and an alternate weather date of May 21st.

New Business

Park Permit Application Filed by Big Foot High School for Cross Country Meet on Thursday, September 23, 2021

Trustee Livingston stated this would be for Duck Pond.

Commissioner Lobdell/Commissioner Somers 2nd made a MOTION to recommend Village Board approval of the park permit application filed by Big Foot High School for Cross Country Meet on Thursday, September 23, 2021. The MOTION carried without

2021 Beach Operations

Loomer stated looking ahead at Beach plans for the summer and wondering what Park Commission members thoughts are on if the Beach should be open or if restrictions need to be in place like last summer. The consensus among Commission members was to revisit in May and if need be possibly start with restrictions.

Discuss Duck Pond Field Rental and Insurance Requirements

Loomer stated she reached out to the Insurance Company for the Village and when fields are rented out a certificate of insurance needs to be obtained with the Village named as an additional insured and in the amount of a million dollars. This takes the burden of the Village when the fields are being used.

Accept Donation for Duck Pond Batting Cages

President Kenny explained that a long time Fontana resident and friend of his passed away a year ago. This long-time resident raised five sons in the Fontana area and always commented on the fields when he was attending games or practice. New batting cages were taken off the budget for 2021 and a group of friends have teamed together with the Lions Club to raise the funds to donate Batting Cages in memory of Mark Walsh at Duck Pond. President Kenny stated once the cages are complete, they would like to have a small ceremony and a plaque made to place on the cages. Commission members thought this was a great idea and thanked President Kenny and the Lions Club for gathering donations.

Picnic Table Replacement for Reid Park

Kevin Day stated there are two picnic tables at Reid Park that are in bad shape and beyond repairs. Day stated the cheapest price he found for two eight-foot picnic tables with shipping is \$1,761. The color of the tables currently are red and blue and commissioner members stated they preferred both tables are red to match the playground equipment.

Commissioner Somers/Commissioner Lobdell 2nd made a MOTION to recommend Village Board approval of the replacement of two picnic tables for Reid Park in the amount of \$1,761. The MOTION carried without negative vote.

Adjournment

Commissioner Lobdell/Commissioner Somers 2nd made a Motion to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 5:24 PM and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by Stephanie Smith, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
Approved: 3/17/21