

ARLINGTON PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Approved 3-0-1

5-24-2022

The Town of Arlington Park and Recreation Commission came to order for its online virtual meeting via Zoom on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 7:00pm.

Commission Members: Leslie Mayer, Jen Rothenberg, Shirley Canniff, Sara Carrier, and Scott Walker. Recreation Director Joe Connelly was also present. Conservation Commission Liaison Kathy Garnett was also present.

Anticipated Speakers: Matt Curran, Lauren McKenzie, Sophie Blisky, Theresa Schanda

Preliminary Matter: Scott Walker, Park & Recreation Vice Commission Chair, took formal attendance via a roll call and read a statement pertaining to Governor Baker's Public Meeting Law change due to COVID-19 regarding virtual meetings. Meeting business ground rules and procedures were also covered by Mr. Walker.

Open Forum: N/A

Park Signs Coyote Awareness

The Commission reviewed draft language of the coyote awareness signs and made recommendations for some language and listing modifications.

Little Free Library Request Buzzell Field – Girls Scout Troop 62555

Ms., McKenzie and Ms. Blisky made a presentation to the commission. The Commission discussed the proposed location and installation. Ms. Rothenberg motioned to approve the installation, seconded by Ms. Mayer and approved 4-0.

Fishing Ling Working Group Update

Recreation Supervisor Matt Curran provided an update of the working group's progress to the Commission. Mr. Curran highlighted the pilot installation of his own disposal container at Menotomy Rocks Park. The Commission thanked Matt for his service to the working group and proactiveness for the pilot program.

Menotomy Rocks Park Bench Installation Recommendation Locations

Mr. Connelly presented the recommended new bench location from the Friends of Menotomy Rocks Park to the Commission. The Commission would like to see the individual locations as the donations/gifting is being received. The Commission did discuss the type of bench that would be purchased for all future donations. Mr. Connelly recommended the standard Dumor Park Bench 57-60PL that is used in every other park in town. The Commission agreed that all park benches should be standardized with the exception of the benches that are part of new capital project.

Special Event Approval

Spy Pond Elks Picnic – 8/20/2022

Ms. Schanda reviewed the request and the positive work of the Arlington Elks in the Community. The permit was approved on a motion by Ms. Mayer, seconded by Ms. Canniff and approved 4-0/

Comments and Items for Future Meeting – The Commission discussed future agenda items. Ms. Mayer asked that the Bicycle Advisory Committee be added for a discussion on bikes on park pathways.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of 5/10/2022 and 4/12/2022 were tabled

Correspondence Received

The Commission reviewed the correspondence received from Ms. Bowsfield, Ms. Moses and Ms. Carter.

Ms. Mayer made a motion to adjourn at 8:07 pm, seconded by Ms. Rothenberg and approved by roll call vote 4-0.

The Arlington Park & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes were respectfully submitted by Joseph Connelly.