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**VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON**  
**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, January 9, 2022**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Roll Call was answered by Chairperson Jill Kelly, David Lauffer and Kasia Lazar. Also present was Trustee Liaison Robin Kelleher (by telephone), Village Administrator John Lobaito and Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy. Commission Member Kelly Dittmann entered the meeting at 6:18 p.m. John Huber was absent.

**Public Comment**

No public comment.

**Approve Minutes of December 5, 2022 Meeting**

Motion by Chairperson Jill Kelly and seconded by David Lauffer to approve the Minutes of December 5, 2022. Chairperson Kelly, David Lauffer and Kasia Lazar voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

**Review Five Year Project Plan**

David Lauffer presented a power point screen containing three content topics for Commission discussion. A demographics slide included the population age distribution and income comparisons for North Barrington and the surrounding communities.

- Mission. The Commission agreed that Commission Member Kelly Dittmann would provide a mission statement for the Parks and Recreation Commission.
- Background. The Commission discussed the background of Village parks in North Barrington.

**Eton Park**-the condition of the park's playground equipment, fixed structures and improvements are aged, along with the pitch and general drainage. Pictures were included.

**Leonard Park**-the walking path and railroad ties are worn. Possible enhancements were discussed along with possibly expanding walking trails to other municipal paths. Pictures included.

**Village-owned acreage**-there is potential for new uses, such as pickleball, basketball etc. Pictures of a neighboring village were included.

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- 5-year plan summary. Capital expenditures for FYE 2024, FYE 2025 and FYE 2026 were assigned for Eton Park, Leonard Park, Village Hall Park (name to be determined) and the multi-use paths. The projects will have a planning phase, grants, and funding phase, then a grand opening. The possibility of ordering surveys for Eton Park and the Village Hall property were discussed for FYE 2024.

Some of the immediate needs for Eton Park are soccer nets, turf resurfacing, new railroad tie spikes, new soccer goals, a baseball diamond and overall trash pickup in the spring. A resident survey will be compiled and mailed for resident input. A portable volleyball net may be installed in the near term.

**Update Volunteer Recruitment Status**

Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy stated contacted potential new members who volunteered at the Fall Festival. No one has responded at this time. Village President Sweet McDonnell is planning to interview a prospective Commission member.

**Finalize Events for 2023**

A tree lighting ceremony will take place at the Village Hall on December 1, 2023. There was discussion about potential Village events to be scheduled and planned for 2023. Administrative Sue Murdy offered to obtain school calendar dates that may impact the scheduling of events. The Commission will continue to hold the summer concerts at Eton Park, the Fall Festival and possibly a Kids Craft Day and a doggie day at Eton Park. The dates will be determined at the February 15, 2023, meeting. The Commission would also like to hold an event with Santa Claus.

**Old/New Business**

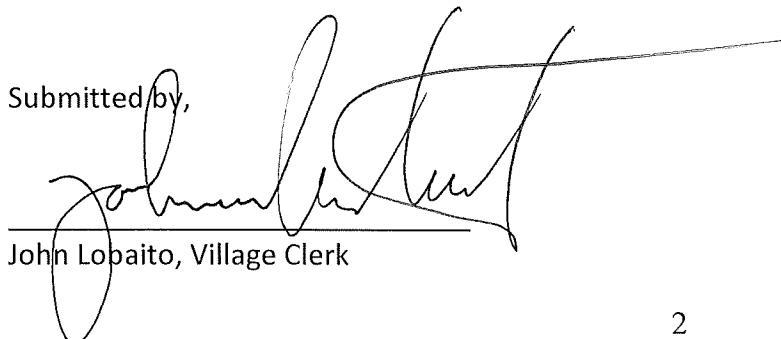
There was no old or new business.

**Adjournment**

Motion by David Lauffer and seconded by Chairperson Kelly to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote Chairperson Kelly, David Lauffer and Kasia Lazar voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Submitted by,

  
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John Lobaito, Village Clerk