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VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, February 3, 2025

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Roll Call was answered by Chairperson David Lauffer, Dwight Bennett, Jeff Harwood, Kasia Lazar and Tammie Mahoney. Also present was Frank Fontana, Harlo Mahoney, and Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approve Minutes of January 6, 2025 Meeting

Motion by Jeff Harwood and seconded by Kasia Lazar to approve the Minutes of January 6, 2025, Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting. On voice vote Chairperson David Lauffer, Dwight Bennett, Jeff Harwood, Kasia Lazar and Tammie Mahoney voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

New Items

A. Naming Bruce's Family.

The Commission discussed naming the additional metal deer purchased by the Village to be placed on the front lawn in front of the lighted tree at the Village Hall during the holiday season. The names Rudy and Clarice were chosen.

B. Finalize Kids Day Event.

The Commission discussed the addition of a Kids Concert to be held on Saturday, June 21, 2025, at Eton Park. Dwight Bennett will follow up with Tunes with Tim to get more performance details. The Commission would like to offer free food and ice cream. Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy will contact Tropical Chill to reserve the date. The Commission agreed the concert would be held during the daytime.

Budget Review and Updates

Chairperson Lauffer and Village Administrator Lobaito will be finalizing a Parks & Recreation Commission budget for FYE 2026. The maintenance budget for Eton Park will include buckthorn removal and consistent mosquito spraying of Leonard Park. Chairperson Lauffer would like to have a controlled burn of the property next to Eton Park.

Recruitment Updates

A. Open Seats for Commission Members

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The Commission membership is close to being full. The Commission welcomed Ms. Tammie Mahoney to her first meeting and welcomed Frank Fontana, who is considering being appointed to the Commission. To accommodate members' schedules, the Parks & Recreation Commission meetings will be moved to the second Monday of each month starting at 5:30 p.m.

Initiative Updates

A. Consultant RFP: Establish grading criteria

The Commission discussed the process for interviewing the 5-year Master Plan Consultant proposals. The Commission agreed on the importance of full consistent Commission involvement for selecting the consultant.

Marketing Support

A. Intern/Volunteer/Social Media (Facebook)

The Commission would like to recruit an intern/volunteer/social media individual to also maintain the Village Facebook account. Tammie Mahony offered to assist in recruitment.

B. Website Update

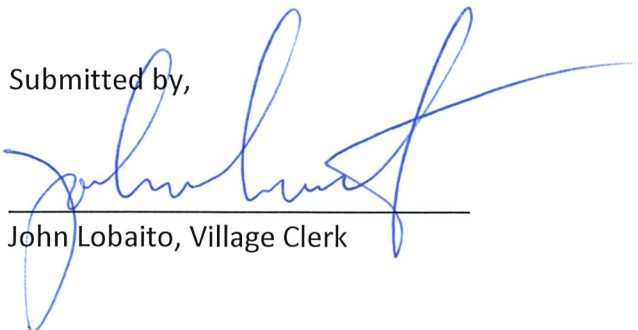
The Commission would like to have a dedicated page on the Village website. Ideally, the page would display a slideshow of Parks & Recreation Commission events.

Adjournment

Motion by Jeff Harwood and seconded by Kasia Lazar to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote Chairperson David Lauffer, Dwight Bennett, Jeff Harwood, Kasia Lazar, and Tammie Mahoney voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

The Meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Submitted by,



John Lobaito, Village Clerk

