# VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON

# PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES Monday, March 11, 2024

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

# **Roll Call**

Roll Call was answered by Chairperson Jill Kelly, Jeff Harwood, David Lauffer (via Zoom), and Mindy Nelson. Also, present was Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy, Dwight Bennett, and Barrington High School student Gabe Gabvich. Kasia Lazar was absent.

### **Public Comment**

No public comment.

## Approve Minutes of January 8, 2024 Meeting

Motion by Jeff Harwood and seconded by David Lauffer to approve the Minutes of December 4, 2023, Parks & Recreation Commission meeting. Chairperson Jill Kelly, Jeff Harwood, David Lauffer and Kasia Lazar voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

### **Discuss Process for Survey Results**

The deadline for resident survey submissions is April 19, 2024. At that time, the results will be exported and reviewed. Residents may use the QR Code in the Village Newsletter, use the link on the Village website or use the link on the Village E-Blasts. The Commission is looking forward to reviewing resident preferences to formulate their five-year plan for the Parks and Recreation Commission.

# **Discuss Band for Summer Concert or Childrens Event**

The bands are scheduled for the Summer Concerts at Eton Park in June, July, and September. The Commission discussed the possibility of a children's movie night instead of a Summer Concert on August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The Commission will continue to recruit a musician for that date as well. The Commission may have the Summer Concert on August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, as well as a children's movie night on August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy stated Tropical Chill is scheduled for the four Summer Concert dates. Commission Chairperson Jill Kelly stated she would like the Summer Concert banner hung on the fence at Eton Park to attract residents to attend the Summer Concerts Series. The Commission discussed the possibility of a food truck at the Summer Concerts. Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy will send the Commission members samples of the existing Summer Concert signs and a sample Tree of the Year sign so they may view the colors. New signs will be ordered in April.

### **Discuss a GAGA Court for this Summer**

The Commission discussed the popularity of GAGA Courts and the possibility of a GAGA Court at Eton Park. The enthusiasm about the use of GAGA Courts in other communities is very high.

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# **Update of Next Step for Path Development**

The Commission discussed the Parks and Recreation Commission 5-year plan, the material to be used on the Leonard Park walking path, and possible fundraising and underwriting sources. The possibility of connecting the Village walking trails was discussed. The Capitol Fund will be used to pay for the walking paths.

# **Old/New Business**

The Commission welcomed Dwight Bennett to join the Commission. Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy explained that Dwight would be appointed at the March 20, 2024 Board of Trustees meeting.

# **Adjournment**

Motion by Chairperson Jill Kelly and seconded by Jeff Harwood to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote Chairperson Kelly, Jeff Harwood, David Lauffer, and Mindy Nelson voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

The Meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Submitted by,

John Lobaito, Village Clerk