

**SCHILLER PARK RECREATION BOARD  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING JULY 18, 2023**

Meeting called to order 6:00 p.m. by Chairperson Pat Inendino

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Pat Inendino, Phil Fanselow, Cathy Russ, Rocco Pretzie and Joanna Curry

Also Present: Terri Sheridan, Village Trustee

Absent:

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MAY 16, 2023**

Russ moved 2<sup>nd</sup> Curry to accept the minutes as presented.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chad Meyers, Schiller Park resident attended the meeting. Chad asked Director Splitt and Board Members if the Dog Park and Community Garden area were included in the Park Master Plan as discussed under new business, Director Splitt replied that he would include them in the Park Master Plan.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Director Splitt spoke to the Board Members regarding the Youth Baseball/Softball program and asked Board Member and League Manager Rocco Pretzie to speak on that topic. Rocco stated the Spring/Summer season went well, competitive, the 12U & 14U Softball won the championships. Rocco stated that currently some players are participating in 8U Baseball tournaments, and the Fall registration has begun.

Director Splitt announced that the pool has 6 weeks left in the season, beginning Monday, August 14 the pool will be on modified hours. Director Splitt stated the air quality this Summer, due to the Canadian wildfires, affected our attendance. Director Splitt informed the Board Members we were down a little on lifeguards this year. At the beginning of the season the Pool staff had a mock training session with a live scenario at the pool with the Fire Department, Director Splitt stated it was good practice training for Pool and Fire Department staff. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July event at the pool was a huge success, the weather was in the 90's. The overall pool operations are doing well.

Director Splitt stated Day Camp at Kennedy School is going well, we have 80 kids registered. On July 31 the Camp moves to the Activity Center/Recreation Center due to Summer School being held at Kennedy School. Director Splitt informed the Board Members that Bernie's Book Bank stopped at Kennedy School to visit our Day Camp. Bernie's Book Bank provides free quality books to children.

Director Splitt mentioned that the Summer youth soccer and basketball programs are going well, as are the adult fitness classes.

Director Splitt stated that implementing the CIVICREC software went well at the pool this Summer there were some small hurdles however with the Recreation Center staff experienced with the CIVICREC software the operations at the pool front desk are doing well.

Director Splitt mentioned to the Board Members the estimated timeline for Fall Brochure is early August.

Director Splitt discussed with the Board Members the 2023/2024 facility improvement plans. The Village approved the Architect proposals-aging buildings. Architects will put together a Parks Master Plan having a 10-year plan in place, currently 5 parks need updating, Clock Tower & Fairview Parks have recently been updated. The architects would identify grants that may be available. Director Splitt mentioned we would look for the Recreation Department Board Members' input through this process. Director Splitt mentioned installing outdoor bathrooms at Kennedy Park, having gender neutral bathrooms.

Director Splitt provided the Board Members with an update on the surveillance cameras that were installed at the pool and the Recreation Center, he stated that they have added an extra level of safety for both facilities and stated the pool heaters were installed and explained that the heaters were in last year's budget.

Director Splitt spoke to the Board Members regarding the purchase of the new Ford Escape and mentioned it's mainly used for the Meals on Wheels program. Director Splitt mentioned that the splash pad at North Village Park was down for a while but it's now up and running. Director Splitt mentioned a budgeted item, the slides at the pool for \$75,000, there were four other bids that came in and \$39,600 was the lowest and most responsible bid. Looking for approval at the August 2023 Village Board meeting to go forward with this project.

The Board Members were provided with a report from the CIVICREC software on a recap of the Summer program registration.

The Board Members reviewed the Recreation Department current General Ledger revenue and expenditures.

### DIRECTOR REPORT

Director Splitt announced the National Night Out event will be held at the Anna Montana Water Park/Memorial Pool on Tuesday, August 1. Director Splitt also mentioned the Schiller Park Library Summer Reading Program awards are next Friday.

### COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

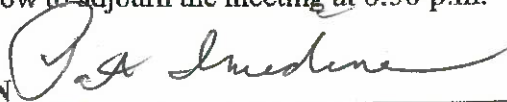
Recreation Board Members Phil Fanselow questioned what the cost was so far on the Parks Master Plan, Director Splitt replied "no cost so far". Fanselow asked what the time frame would be to complete the Parks Master Plan, Director Splitt replied "a couple of months". Fanselow asked Director Splitt when we would be moving forward with the Parks Master Plan, Director Splitt replied "after the Village Board meeting".

Fanselow moved 2<sup>nd</sup> Curry to move forward with The Parks Master Plan using Hitchcock Design Group.

### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Russ moved 2<sup>nd</sup> Fanselow to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

CHAIRPERSON



SECRETARY

