

**Village of South Elgin
Recreation Board Minutes
Monday, November 25, 2019**

1. Call to Order

Member Pluskwa called the meeting of the Recreation Board to order at 7:00pm.

2. Roll Call

Board Members Present: **Nancy Christensen, James E. Davis, Jr., Andrew Hauser, Peter Pluskwa, Mary Rohr, and Bill Sohn.** Members excused: **Mary Rees Freeman.** Staff Members present: **Director Kim Wascher and Superintendent Ed Bjes.**

3. Approval of Minutes

Member Hauser made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 23, 2019 Recreation Board Meeting. **Member Sohn** seconded the motion. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment

No Public Comment was heard.

5. Presentation: Panton Mill Park Concept Plan.

6. Old Business

Recreation

Director Wascher reported

After Shock: & Before Care: Both programs continue to do well. Staff is waiting to hear from D303 what the start time will be for the elementary schools next year to determine the direction of the program for next year. The Recreation Supervisor is also working on adding enrichments to the After Shock program.

Holiday Events: Breakfast with Santa and Lunch With Santa were huge hits again this year. The volunteers did a great job at both events. We were able to accommodate 95 attendees at breakfast this year. Staff will be sending out an evaluation to get the attendees opinion. The attendance at An Almost Winter Day was unbelievable this year. There were easily 2,000 people. Staff will make adjustments for next year pending weather. This is the most people we believe have ever attended the event. .

Parks

Superintendent Bjes reported:

Brookside and Gazebo Parks had their Grand Re- Openings on September 23, 2019. Both openings were well attended by staff, Rec Board members, Village Trustees and residents. The Gazebo came in today and workers started installation.

Main Trac: Work orders and documenting of daily operations are now being done thru Main Trac. Staff is continuing to learn the software.

OSLAD Grant: Staff will be driving to Springfield, for a three minute presentation for final consideration for funding assistance to the sub-committee of the IDNR's Natural Advisory Board. It is for the Wolf Property, to acquire public bike path on the east side of the river.

7. **New Business**

Recreation

Director Wascher reported:

Snow Tube Trip: The Annual Snow Tube Trip to Villa Olivia is scheduled for January 2. The event is for participants in grades 4 – 8. The group has pizza at a local restaurant then buses over to Villa Olivia. The group tubes from 7pm-9pm and then returns back to the Municipal Annex.

Winter Break Camp: This year Winter Break Camp will run December 26, 27, 30, 31, January 2 and 3. There will be no PM Care on December 31. The way the holiday breaks up the weeks it is possible some of the days may get cancelled due to low enrollment. This has been historical when the holiday breaks up the work week.

Personnel Changes: Just this past week staff accepted the resignation of Amie Miller. She has been with the Department since December 2013. She has accepted a full time position with the Village of Lindenhurst which is where she lives.

Parks

Superintendent Bjes reported:

Cemetery: There was one full burial with an ashes burial planned November 27..

Lions Park: Staff will be working on a Community Development Block Grant to complete a Park Replacement Project at Lions Park in 2020. The grant application is due on January 8. Staff will be presenting the project to the Village Board for a resolution at the January 6 Board Meeting supporting the project.

Budgets for Next Fiscal Year: Staff is working through the Fiscal Year 2021 budget.

Use Agreements for Affiliates: All affiliates will be reviewing their Use Agreements with staff in the next few weeks for presentation to the Village Board in December.

FVSRA: No report this month.

FUNDation: The Wizards Game will be held on February 21, 2020 beginning at 7pm at Kenyon Woods Middle School

8. **Other/Birthdays: Krista McKinney, Jess Day & Ed Bjes.**

9. **Next Meeting- Tuesday, January 28, 2020**

10. Adjournment: Member Rohr made a motion to adjourn the November 25, 2019 meeting. **Member Davis** seconded the motion. The November 25, 2019 meeting was adjourned at 8pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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