



RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
June 20, 2019 MEETING 6:00 P.M.
MINUTES

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In attendance: Phil Pessina, Winn Lee, Lincoln Everest, Salvatore Uccello, Anthony Jaskot

Absent: Mary Bartolotta, Akbar Coffy, Ed Dypa, Sue Larabee, Matt Fraulino

Staff: Cathy Lechowicz, Director

AGENDA: Call Meeting to Order: Meeting called to order at 6:16pm.

Approval of the Minutes: Sal Uccello made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Tony Jaskot. Unanimously approved.

Public Hearing: No Comments

Department Reports:

Building Updates

Envelope specialist engaged, contract getting approved and should be starting soon.

Plan to repaint cafeteria area

Program Updates

Senior division participated in the city wide public health drill

Taking a charter bus trip to Block Island on June 27

Gearing up for Summer Camp –

Camp enrollment is very high

New collaboration with the Board of Education, will be engaging nearly 200 kids there

Pool and Crystal Lake opening this upcoming weekend (6/21)

Discussion on staffing structure and hiring for the department and adding new position that was approved by the Common Council and move to WW Annex.

OLD BUSINESS:

Received approval to modify the commission name to Recreation and Senior Services, it was on the agenda for the June Common Council meeting but was not voted on due to the way it was presented. The plan is for General Council Commission to review it again and it should go back to Common Council in August or September.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion on advertising – this agenda item is being moved to the September meeting.

Discussion on attendance at commission meetings – reviewed attendance of members, one member has only attended one meeting this year, most were ‘excused’, Director Lechowicz will follow up with this member to ensure they want to continue in this role. In addition, the commission will review the time of the meeting.

Suspension of Meetings for the summer – the commission decided to suspend meetings in July and August. If there is a pressing item, Director Lechowicz can put out a call for a special meeting. Lincoln Everest made a motion to suspend the commission meetings in July and August, Winn Lee seconded. Unanimously approved.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Acknowledged two commissions – Phil Pessina and Sal Uccello – for their work on the PRIDE Festival and what a successful and positive event it was for our community.

Chair expressed appreciation for Director Lechowicz and the work she has done for the department.

ADJOURNMENT:

Sal Uccello made a motion to adjourn; Lincoln Everest seconded. All in favor.