



**Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Board Meeting**  
Lincolnwood Village Hall – Council Chambers  
Tuesday, May 14, 2019  
DRAFT MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04P.M.

**PRESENT AT THE MEETING**

Park Board Members: Art Lovering, Laura Tomacic, Victor Shaw, Maria Leberis, Carol Georges Oraha

Parks and Recreation Department Staff: Laura McCarty, Melissa Rimdzius

Village Board Liaison:

Village Staff:

Audience: Sue Bear, Christina Audisho, Atour Sargon

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion Tomacic/Shaw approve the meeting minutes of the April 9, 2019 meeting. 5-0. Motion passed.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/LETTERS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**OLD BUSINESS**

No old business

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Presentation from Sue Bear, Executive Director of the Maine Niles Association of Special Recreation (M-NASR)

**Bear** – As noted in report

- Review of M-NASR, discussion of Lincolnwood Resident's use of M-NASR, and video highlighting their services and participants

**Board Discussion** –

- Lovering – Thanked Sue Bear for sharing the presentation with the Board. Asked if the Board may obtain a copy of this presentation and video to share with the community.
- Bear – Stated that the video is on the website and that she will provide a hard copy. Commented that she appreciates the Board’s support and understanding of the necessity and quality of the services provided by M-NASR.
- Lovering – Commented that the statistics are good to see, as well as the overall participation numbers.
- Bear – Commented that the number of Lincolnwood participants has grown over the past 20 years.
- Leberis – Asked what type of volunteers M-NASR is seeking.
- Bear – Everyone.
- Leberis – Commented on possibly some members of the senior population may be interested in supporting M-NASR as volunteers.
- Lovering – Commented that what the Parks and Recreation Department can do is help promote M-NASR and volunteering opportunities.
- Bear – Commented that the collective group can help by spreading the word how important these services are to the Trustees of the Village and other elected officials.
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**B. Recommendation to Adopt a Resolution Approving Contracts for the Purchase and Installation of Additional Equipment for the Proesel Park Playground.**

**Rimdzius** – As noted in report

**Board Discussion –**

- Commented that it was encouraging that the older children think it is fun to play on playground equipment.
- Commented that the Village is taking steps to go above and beyond to ensure safety.
- Expressed gratitude to the person who brought the concern to our attention.
- Commented that the Village should consider posting the solution on social media if approved by the Village Board.
- Commented that sometimes stepping above and beyond what is asked for.

On motion Orah/Tomacic recommend approval to adopt a resolution to approve contracts for the purchase and installation of additional equipment for the playground at Proesel Park in the amount of \$6,091.37 to Parkreation of Prospect Heights, IL and in the amount of \$3,000 to Hacienda Landscaping, Inc. of Minooka, IL. 5-0, motion passed.

**CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT -**

**Lovering** – Inform the Board that this is his last meeting with this group. Time passes quickly. It has been a fun experience. I love parks and recreation, and am a kid at heart. Thanked the group for the opportunity to sit on the Board. Announced that Christina Audisho will be joining the Board. Recommends that anyone step up to be the new Chairperson.

**COMMISIONER'S REPORTS -**

None

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT -**

**McCarty** –

- Thanked Art Lovering for his support, leadership, years of service, and dedication to this Board and the Village of Lincolnwood. Thank you for bringing out the best in the staff and consistently supporting the mission of the Parks and Recreation Department. Welcome to Christina Audisho, whose term will begin on May 21. Christina is very familiar with the operations of the Parks and Recreation Department and will be attending the June Board Meeting.
- Tomorrow, the Jewell Lloyd Basketball Court ribbon cutting will take place at 5:30pm. The Aquatic center will open next Saturday, Memorial Day Weekend. Following that will be the Memorial Day Parade and Service in Madeleine's Garden.
- Dan Peck submitted his resignation and his last day will be with our Department tomorrow. He is taking on a full time marketing position with the Village of Romeoville's Parks and Recreation Department.

**STAFF REPORTS**

As noted in report

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 P.M. Tomacic/Shaw  
Park Board Minutes prepared by:  
Melissa Rimdzius, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation

Park and Recreation Board President:

  
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 Signature

9.10.19  
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