



**Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Board Meeting**  
Lincolnwood Village Hall – Council Chambers  
Tuesday, August 14, 2018  
DRAFT MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M.

**PRESENT AT THE MEETING**

Park Board Members: Laura Tomacic, Maria Leberis, Grace Diaz Herrera, Art Lovering, Reese Gratch

Parks and Recreation Department Staff: Laura McCarty, Melissa Rimdzius, Katie Lazzara

Village Board Liaison: Jennifer Spino

Village Staff:

Audience:

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion Tomacic/Leberis approve the meeting minutes of the June 12, 2018. 5-0.  
Motion passed.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/LETTERS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**A. 2018 Lincolnwood Fest Recap**

**McCarty** – Provided overview of the preliminary Lincolnwood Fest report.

**Lovering** – Commented that some information was incorrect or missing in the overview, asked what the car trophies are, and commented on the forthcoming update. Asked Trustee Spino if this is the same report that is presented to the Village Board.

**Spino** – Commented that the report is not as detailed.

- **Board Discussion**
- Discussed headliner bands, outstanding numbers in preliminary report, and desire for the final report to be an accurate reflection of the event budget

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Consideration of a Request from M-NASR to hold Trivia Craze Fundraiser at the Community Center on Saturday, January 19, 2019 from 6:00-10pm**

**McCarty –**

- Maine Niles Association of Special Recreation Fundraiser
- Event will be held at the Community Center on January 19, 2019 from 6pm-10pm
- Beer and wine will be sold
- Village Code states that no alcoholic beverages may be sold or distributed at the Community Center
- Event organizers will be required to obtain local and State liquor licenses
- Waive enforcement of this portion of the Village Code

**Lovering –** We've done this in the past and have no problems

On motion Gratch/Tomacic recommend approval to adopt an Ordinance waiving enforcement of Section 10-2-36(A) of the Village Code for the sale of beer and wine at the Community Center on Saturday, January 19, 2019 from 6pm-10pm for M-NASR Trivia Night. 5-0, motion passed.

### **B. Recommendation to Close a Portion of the Valley Line Trail between Pratt Ave. and Touhy Ave. on Saturday, October 6 from 9am-10am from the My First Marathon program culmination**

**McCarty –**

- My First Marathon Program is a youth running challenge that encourages kids to walk or run 1 mile 25 times over the summer and early fall
- On race day (culmination event) kids will run 1.2 miles with the other marathon participants on the Valley Line Trail between Pratt and Touhy
- All participants receive race shirt, bib and medal

**Board Discussion –**

- Commented on age of children who are eligible to participate (5-12 years)

On Motion Herrera/Leberis recommend approval of a Resolution to Close a Portion of the Valley Line Trail between Pratt and Touhy Avenues on Saturday, October 6, 2018 from 9am-10am for the My First Marathon Program Culmination Event. 5-0, motion passed.

### **C. Recommendation to Close a Portion of Lincoln Ave. between Touhy and Pratt on Sunday, November 18 from 7am-11am from the 2018 Lincolnwood Turkey Trot**

**McCarty –**

- Presented annual request to close Lincoln Avenue for the Turkey Trot

On motion Tomacic/Herrera Recommend Approval of a Resolution to Close a Portion of Lincoln Avenue between Touhy and Pratt Avenue on Sunday, November 18, 2018

between the Hours of 7 A.M. to 11 A.M. for the 2018 Turkey Trot Race. 5-0, motion passed.

#### **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT -**

- Commented on the overall successful summer including the quality of Lincolnwood Fest, park conditions, summer concert series, movie night, and Lincolnwood's first National Night Out.

#### **COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS -**

- Comments regarding concerns of foul language on the pool deck, the need for lifeguards to be more diligent in enforcing rules regarding deck behavior, and a mistake made in the waterslide traffic signals between lifeguards. Comments regarding the challenges faced by lifeguards and the quality of the facility, but the need for continued empowerment and training in the aforementioned areas.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT -**

**McCarty** – Commented that the naming for Jewell Loyd was approved at the June Village Board Meeting and she is currently working with Jewell's family to determine a date for the ribbon cutting.

**Board Discussion** - Asked if the ribbon cutting could take place during daylight hours or afterschool

**McCarty** - Stated the Horwitz family would like to support the Village in changing the surface of the Global Fitness Spot in Proesel Park. The roses will be removed and a retaining wall will be built in place of the planters.

**McCarty** –

- Linda Vering recently resigned and took a full time position with the Northbrook Public Library.
- The Touhy Overpass ribbon cutting will be planned for early October.
- The Village is partnering with School District 74 and Lowes for a project along the Union Pacific Path. The project will result in benches, flowers, and community bookcases being added to the path.
- Turkey Trot registration is open.
- Touch-A-Truck is on Saturday, Sept 8. The following weekend is Family Fun Fest at Centennial Park. Fall is right around the corner.

**Tomacic** – Congratulations on a great brochure

#### **STAFF REPORTS**

##### **A. SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS AND FACILITIES - RIMDZIUS**

**Rimdzius** - Thank you to the team for all of their hard work this summer.

**Board Discussion** –

- Commented on Luau Night turnout
- Commented on the park inspection report

- Request to consider blending the parks with the Valley Line Trail, thinning the vegetation between the parks and the trail and removing the fence

**B. RECREATION SUPERVISOR – ANTOSZ**

As noted in report

**C. RECREATION SUPERVISOR – LAZZARA**

As noted in report

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 P.M.

Park Board Minutes prepared by: Melissa Rimdzius, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation

Park and Recreation Board President:

  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date 10/9/18