

Village of Glendale Heights  
Parks & Recreation Committee  
Special Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, January 17, 2017  
Sports Hub

**Trustee Pat Maritato called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.**

**Roll Call:**

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| Joe Chambers ( <i>Parks and Recreation Committee Member</i> )             | Excused |
| Jeanette Wilson ( <i>Parks and Recreation Committee Member</i> )          | Present |
| Pat Maritato ( <i>Parks and Recreation Committee Member - Chairman</i> )  | Present |
| Other Attendance:   |         |
| Keith Knautz (Director of Parks, Recreation and Facilities)               | Present |
| Tracy Geils (Assistant to the Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities) | Present |
| Dale Hanstad (Recreation Division Manager)                                | Present |

**Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes 4/19/16**

Minutes were not approved due to not having enough members to hold a quorum.

**DuPage County Glenbard REALITY Illinois Presentation**

The Reality Illinois DuPage Teen Advisory Panel promote and advocate for change on a local level, specifically with smoke-free park policies. Six students spoke to the committee about the negative effects of cigarettes, second hand smoke and tobacco. They are asking for Glendale Heights to make their parks smoke and tobacco free. They have previously presented to Carol Stream and Glen Ellyn in which both park districts adopted a tobacco free policy for their parks. Keith stated that we did not have enough members to vote on a recommendation to the Village Board. Keith asked Gilda to provide copies of the policies for Carol Stream and Glen Ellyn Park Districts. Once received, the committee would review.

**Discussion Regarding – Program Updates**

PATH After School Program currently has 185 participants. Largest enrollment number to date.

Preschool currently has 130 participants and we are expecting that number to increase with the winter session.

Basketball and soccer are currently running.

Trustee Maritato asked for an update on the Spartans season. Keith stated the Spartans season went well. We had two football teams in which the 73 lb. team remained undefeated throughout the regular season and that the flag team also had a successful season. We had three cheer

squads and one of the squads won a bid to the state competition. Registration discount kick-off day is scheduled for Saturday, February 18. Free coffee, donuts and juice will be available and all registrants will receive a free Spartans stocking cap. Staff believes we can start to rebuild this program.

GHYBS registration discount kick-off day is scheduled for Saturday, January 28. Free coffee, donuts and juice will be available and all registrants will receive a free GHYBS stocking cap.

Keith announced the promotion of Dale Hanstad to Recreation Division Manager. He also stated that at the next meeting, he will introduce three additional new full time Recreation Supervisors.

#### **Discussion Regarding – Park Improvements – Fiscal Year 2016/2017**

Keith displayed a power point presentation showing all the park improvements that have been made (see attachment). He explained that Nazos playground was constructed and installed as a community build project. Keith is extremely proud and satisfied of the final product. Keith also stated that we still have a list of projects to complete this fiscal year. The projects include, the installation of the new playground equipment at Mill Pond and Siems Parks as well as purchasing and installing the a new playground structure at Ollman and Gladstone Parks. The walking path at Gladstone will be seal-coated. The ball fields at Nazos and Reskin see extensive field repairs.

#### **Discussion Regarding – Sports Hub Improvements – Fiscal Year 2016/2017**

Staff is looking into purchasing an intercom system, proxy card system and batting tunnels.

#### **Comments and Questions**

Keith introduced three residents that are interested in joining the Parks and Recreation Committee: Jose Loera, Ramon Reynoso and Alex Pavlovic.

**The Committee moved and seconded to adjourn, and by voice vote, the motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.**