

Village of Glendale Heights  
Parks & Recreation Committee  
March 19, 2024  
Sports Hub

**Trustee Pat Maritato called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.**

**Roll Call:**

Jeanette Wilson ( <i>Parks and Recreation Committee Member</i> )	Present
Enrique Arroyo ( <i>Parks and Recreation Committee Member</i> )	Present
Pat Maritato ( <i>Parks and Recreation Committee Member - Chairman</i> )	Present
Chester Pojack ( <i>Parks and Recreation Committee Member - Liaison</i> )	Absent
Frank Mendez ( <i>Parks and Recreation Committee Member</i> )	Present
John Staffa ( <i>Parks and Recreation Committee Member</i> )	Present
Jeff Yunker ( <i>Parks and Recreation Committee Member</i> )	Present
Other In Attendance:	
Keith Knautz, Director of Leisure Services	
Tracy Claudio, Assistant to the Director of Leisure Services	
Jennifer Fulton, Administrative Secretary of Leisure Services	
Jennifer Ferrell, Golf & Parks Division Manager	
Bill Schmidt, Trustee District 1	

**Approval of Minutes from the 1/16/24 Regular Meeting and Special Meeting 2/27/24**

Motion made by Enrique Arroyo, second motion by Jeanette Wilson, all approved.

**Discussion Regarding – Program Updates**

Director Knautz stated:

- 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> girls’ basketball team won the league tournament.
- 184 kids signed up for baseball/softball. My first T-ball – 52 kids (5 or 6 teams). T-ball – 55 kids (5 or 6 teams). Instructional – 1 team of 12. Minor – 2 teams of 11 each. Major – 1 team of 9.
- Spring soccer currently 24 teams (219 kids). Pre-K – 5 teams. 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> – 7 teams. 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> – 5 teams. 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> – 5 teams. 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> – 2 teams.
- Getting ready to print the Summer Brochure.
- Having second hiring event tomorrow from 4pm – 6pm. First hiring event was held on Saturday and 12 interviews were conducted.

**Discussion Regarding – Camera Park Turf Update**

Director Knautz stated that were still waiting on final approval from the County. Once we receive approval from the County the project should be done in 3-5 weeks. Will start marketing the field once we have a final completion date.

### **Discussion Regarding – Millennium Park Playground**

Director Knautz stated that were waiting for finalization on plans through the Village Board. Director Knautz met with 3 classes from District 87 handed out the playground layout. The kids stopped at the park, toured the Sports Hub and used the indoor soccer field while on their visit.

### **Discussion Regarding – Community Garden**

Director Knautz took to the board for permission to proceed. There were some concerns from the Village board on paying \$50,000 to have the garden fenced. Jeanette suggested to get the Community Garden up and running and address the fencing next year. Goal is to have garden ready in May.

### **Discussion Regarding – Special Event Packet Discussion and Finalization**

Director Knautz distributed a packet for big groups (Ex: community events, Monarch Butterfly, Pakistan Independence Day, Oktoberfest). This packet allows individuals to know what it costs and the requirements that need to be met from the Police Department, Fire Department and Community Development. Last item that was added to the packet was the alcohol policy. Director Knautz requested the committee to look over again and give feed back / suggestions at the next meeting.

### **Discussion Regarding – Parks & Recreation Rates**

Director Knautz distributed a revised memo, there was a typo in the picnic table price. Was listed as \$15.00 and would like to change it to \$20.00 per picnic table. Early bird pool pass rates \$70R/\$80NR. Regular rate for a pool pass \$80R/\$100NR. Daily pool fees would be \$8R/12NR. Jeanette motioned to approve new rates. Enrique second.

### **Discussion Regarding – 2024/25 Proposed Budget Update**

Director Knautz stated that the 2024/25 budget is in process and will go in front of the Village Board in the middle of April.

Major Budget Items:

- Soccer Goals
- Turf Groomer
- New aerator at Gladstone
- Decreasing tree trimming/ /increasing tree planting
- Pheasant Ridge Basketball Court Resurface
- Americana Tennis Court Resurface
- Reskin Playground Pour-N-Play Repairs
- Moveable bleachers for the gym

### **Discussion Regarding – Pool Update**

Director Knautz stated sandblasting has been taking place at the pool. Having difficulty getting the last layer of paint up, new paint should adhere to the old. Hoping to keep on schedule to have the pool open on time.

### **Adjournment**

The Committee moved to adjourn. The motion was made by Enrique Arroyo, second motion by Jeanette Wilson, all approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.