

RECREATION, MUSEUM & SWIMMING POOLS COMMITTEE MEETING  
Park Center  
2400 Chestnut- Room 201, Glenview, IL 60026  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, October 14, 2015 @ 9 a.m.

**1. Roll Call**

Chairman Dave Tosh called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and the roll was called.

**Commissioners/Official Staff present:** Commissioners: Dave Dillon, Dave Tosh, Bill Casey, Angie Katsamakis, Bob Patton, Dan Peterson, Charlie Kuhn; Executive Director Michael McCarty, Superintendent of Leisure Services Elsa Fischer, Superintendent of Special Revenue Facilities Lori Lovell, Director of Recreation Services Jason Hickman, Assistant Director of Recreation Joe Pollina, Assistant Director of Health and Fitness Kathleen McInnis, Assistant Director of Recreation and Aquatics Amy Watson, Director of Wagner Farm Todd Price, Assistant Fitness Manager Lynne Brenner, Membership Coordinator Sara Koman, Administrative Assistant Tanya Trapani, Recording Secretary Cheryl Noll. Please refer to the attendance record for other visitors.

**Guests:** Bob Quill of the AT Group, Chuck Crowley of C.E. Crowley and Associates, Inc. and Jim Cantwell.

**Late Arrivals, Early Departure:** Charlie Kuhn arrived at 9:17 a.m., Jim Cantwell left at 9:54 a.m., Kathleen McInnis, Lynne Brenner and Sara Koman left at 9:58 a.m.; Chuck Crowley left at 10:12 a.m., Charlie Kuhn left at 10:51 a.m. and returned at 10:59 a.m.; Dan Peterson left at 10:51 a.m.

**Commissioners/Official Staff absent:** none

Staff opened with introductions around the table for the benefit of the guests. As a resident was present to hear the discussion regarding the Group Exercise changes, the order of meeting was adjusted.

**2. Agenda Topics**

**a) Proposed Group Exercise Studio Changes**

Staff reviewed a PowerPoint presentation proposing the creation of a cutting edge, dedicated indoor cycling studio and a larger multi-purpose training studio to better utilize the space in the Park Center Health and Fitness expansion wing. The cost to complete this project is estimated at \$18,500 and the projected increase in revenue is just over \$19,000 annually so the project would pay for itself in one years' time.

Jim Cantwell, 1334 Somerset Drive, voiced his opinion that he didn't feel this move was in the best interest of the spinners as it would put the bikes too close together causing the riders to be seat to face and shoulder to shoulder. He wanted the staff to do a trial run for a week to get feedback from the residents. Staff explained how this was not possible due to current programming.

Following the discussion, the committee concurred that this was a staff decision and that they supported the change.

**b) Splash Landings Roof Repairs/Replacement**

In October 2014, there was a severe storm that damaged the roof at Splash Landings. Temporary repairs were made to the roof this past July and August. At the time of the repairs, the roofing consultant provided a recommendation for a full roof replacement.

Bob Quill, Consultant with AT Group and Chuck Crawley, Roofing Consultant discussed several options for the replacement of the Splash Landings Roof for the committee to consider.

Staff recommends that the District proceed with option #7 and have Splash Landings roof be replaced in FY 2016-2017 during the summer shut down. This project can be funded by the Capital Development fund with the final cost estimated at \$541,176.

The committee concurred with the staff recommendation to bid the Splash Landings roof in December to be ready for replacement in July 2016.

**c) Future plans for Wagner Farm**

As part of the Strategic Plan, staff has been brainstorming possible enhancements for Wagner Farm. Staff are looking to add some interpretive signage, revising the website, adding a better shelter for the horses and cows, increasing animal education throughout the year and adding a farm themed playground at the site. Staff would also like to link animal agricultural education into the events held at the farm.

The committee concurred with the staff planning completed to date and encouraged staff to continue with the process in order to be prepared for the upcoming budget cycle.

**d) Park Center Staffing – Repurposing a FT position to a PT4**

A number of staffing changes were recently made at Park Center including promotions of several key staff members. It was decided at that time, not to fill the Assistant Manager of Fitness position that was vacated on June 10.

Staff proposed that the FT Assistant Fitness Manager position be repurposed to a PT4 position. The committee concurred with the staff recommendation and agreed to send to the Board for a full vote.

**e) Boating on Lake Glenview Update**

Staff would like to pursue boating on Lake Glenview for summer 2016. The original master plan developed for Gallery Park included an option for non-motorized boating on Lake Glenview. In 2014, a Park District intern completed a project proposal for boating on Lake Glenview. Item #8.09 in the Strategic Plan is to research and make a recommendation on Lake Glenview boating. At the June 8, 2015, RMSP Committee meeting, the Board concurred that they would like to see the District continue the planning process that will allow boats in the water at some level by next summer.

Staff has moved forward with this direction and obtained a quote for a sand boat ramp, met with Village staff and contacted PDRMA regarding rules and regulations. The cost for a boat ramp and signage will not exceed \$12,000 and can be funded by the Capital Development fund. If approved, summer 2016 would be strictly carry in-carry out boats, canoes and kayaks only.

Commissioner Casey felt the box used at the Skokie Lagoon would be unsightly if used at Lake Glenview. At a future date the pump house could possibly be repurposed as a boat house.

The committee agreed that staff should continue to pursue boating on Lake Glenview for 2016.

**f) Naval Air Station Glenview Museum Update**

Staff provided an overview of the Naval Air Station Glenview Museum plan and asked for direction from the committee.

The community organization “Bring it Home Glenview!” is working to preserve the unique history of Glenview and its critical role in our nation’s past through establishing an expanded Naval Air Station Glenview (NASG) Museum and enhance the museum’s offering through an aviation-based learning center.

Although no changes have been made since the last discussion regarding this topic there has been a stronger effort from them for a decision on if the Glenview Park District will partner with them on a museum and provide space, land and funding for the design, engineering and operations.

Commissioner Kuhn suggested a building be built behind Splash Landing at Park Center with floor to ceiling windows and no classrooms might be a local draw with little overhead besides utilities and cleaning. Commissioner Dillon suggested there are firms willing to do the work pro bono.

The Committee directed staff to formally review the proposal and to look at possible options for the Naval Air Station Glenview Museum, not limited to the one location before the committee can make a recommendation on the proposal from NASG.

**g) Other**

None

**3. Matters from the Public**

**4. Recommendations**

- a.** The Committee will recommend to the Board approval of Repurposing a FT position to a PT4 at Park Center.

**5. Adjourn**

Commissioner Katsamakis moved seconded by Commissioner Tosh to adjourn the Open Session at 11:07 a.m. On Voice Vote: All present voted aye, motion carried.

ATTEST:

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William M. Casey  
Board President

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Michael D. McCarty  
Board Secretary

Approved this 19th day of November, 2015