

**MINUTES OF PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION**  
**January 8, 2019**  
**ROOM 10 AT THE IOWA COMMUNITY CENTER**  
**338 N. IOWA AVE, VILLA PARK ILLINOIS**

**COMMISSIONERS:** J. Banaszak, J. Burns, J. Cordova, M. Storino, R. Pesola, T. King, S. Bousum  
**PARKS & RECREATION LIASON:** Director G. Gola      **VILLAGE BOARD LIAISON:** Trustee C. Tucker  
**COMMISSION CHAIRMAN:** J. Burns                      **COMMISSION VICE-CHAIR:** R. Pesola  
**SECRETARY:** J. Banaszak                              **RECORDER OF MINUTES:** P. Ruiz

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER:** *Chairman J. Burns called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm*  
**ROLL CALL:** *J. Burns, J. Cordova, M. Storino, T. King, S. Bousum*
- 2) **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** N/A
- 3) **AMENDMENTS OF THE AGENDA:** N/A
- 4) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**  
*Motion for the approval of December 11<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes made by Comm. Bousum and seconded by Comm. Storino. Acclamation vote was taken with all ayes.*

5) **STAFF UPDATES:**

a) **Recreation Division- Recreation Supervisor Mikie Kudelas:**

- We are pleased to report Revenue for Fall / Winter Programs:
  - Through December 31, 2018

	SY18	FY18	Comparison
35.44403 - Fall/Winter Program Revenue	\$243,696	\$218,304	+\$25,392
35.44301 – Building Rental	\$19,629	\$14,151	+\$5,478
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$263,325</b>	<b>\$232,455</b>	<b>+\$30,870</b>

- Staff is working on summer brochure production.
- Staff will be attending the IPRA Conference this month in Chicago on January 25, 2019.
- Staff is planning for the 2019 pool season. Returning staff has been in to discuss position openings.
- Staff facilitated the “Snowflake Brunch” at ICC on Friday, December 21. 39 preschool participants and families enjoyed brunch, crafts, and a visit with Rockin’ Santa Clause.

*Looking forward...Upcoming Winter/Spring Programs and events:*

Early Childhood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exploring Toddler will begin on Thursday, January 10 (5 week session)</li> <li>• Egg coloring and Baking with the Bunny is scheduled for Friday, April 19, this is an early childhood and youth class.</li> </ul>
Athletics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our four 7 &amp; 8 grade and three 5 &amp; 6 grade Villa Park Youth Basketball grade teams start competing with the Intervillage Basketball League on Saturday, January 11 at Willowbrook High School.</li> <li>• Open Gym started Monday, January 7, 2019. Family Open Gym is held on Monday nights at Jackson Middle School. Middle School Open Gym is held on Mondays at Jefferson Middle School. Cash admission is \$3 for middle school students and individual adults and \$7 for a family.</li> </ul>
Fitness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fitness is offering a Free Week during the first week of the first session of the year, January 21-26.</li> </ul>

Discover Dance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dance Recital will be held at WBHS on Saturday, February 23, 2019.</li> </ul>
Family Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Princess Ball will be held March 15, 2019.</li> <li>• Breakfast with the Bunny will be held April 13, 2019.</li> <li>• Mom/Son Dance will be held May 10, 2019.</li> </ul>

**b) Parks, Buildings & Grounds Division- Superintendent Brian Roche:**

- Have completed repairs and repainting of all Park, Building and Grounds signs, just finished...
  - ICC
  - Chamber
  - Prairie Path “Welcome to Villa Park” signs
- Park and Playground Inspections and Repairs
  - Just completed another round of inspections before the holidays
  - Working to repair/replace ...
    - New swing seats, chains and hardware at various playgrounds
    - 2 new panels and a new boarder for the small playground section at Westland Playground
    - New climber replacement at Twin Lakes
- Cortesi
  - New Storage building has gone up, working with Blue Sky builders, still need metal and gutters to go up, hope to have it completed by the end of the week
- North Terrace Updates
  - We continue renovating the building interior, patching and painting of walls and ceiling are done, new flooring has been installed, we are painting and prepping the doors, trim and other finishes, lighting is being installed, accent wall in each bathroom, all new fixtures and appliances have been ordered
- Prairie Path
  - Holiday lighting/Joyful Traditions has ended, the Chamber and volunteers have worked to remove items from trees and along the paths, staff are working to remove and dispose of remaining items and trees
  - Met with Sublime Design, Trevor, to discuss his work on Native Landscape
- Info Kiosks
  - Worked with Community Development and Twin Electric to install 5 new information Kiosks, 4 on the Prairie Path and one on the Great Western Trail
- Facebook Posts
  - One posted on 12/18/18 regarding the Village Sign painting and repair work
  - One to be posted today, or this week, regarding the renovation work on the North Terrace building
  - Working to have a post-up every few weeks or so
- Staff have started working on the “Winter Worklists” some of which include...
  - Cleaning and maintenance of equipment
  - Garbage can and picnic table cleaning and painting
  - Building paintings and repairs
- Very extensive cleaning and reorganizing of our 3 shops

**c) Director's Report- Greg Gola:**

- North Terrace Park, renovation continues. New paint, fixtures and flooring has been installed. Additionally new cabinetry and appliances will be added.
- Staff attended IPRA Conferences: Conference provides educational workshops, networking and risk management information.
- The new storage structure at the Cortesi Depot will be used to store barricades, water hoses, new gas grill and patio furniture.
- The Jackson storm water project; the playground at Willowbrook is still decent and will be repurposed for the Westmore Park location. The Willowbrook Park will receive a new playground.

**6) BUSINESS:**

**a) Pros Consulting:**

- Dir. Gola emailed commissioners, all comments from focus groups are done and updates on timeline and dates are also completed.
- The method of distributing survey will be directly in water bill, no survey monkey.
- A draft of the survey questions will be emailed to commissioners for them to tweak.

**b) Upcoming project suggestions:**

- One of the playgrounds that may be a good project would be Westland Park.
- Staff is waiting on a timeline from PW in order to mail a letter to residents in regards the project at Jackson. The playground at Willowbrook will be moved to Westmore Park.

**c) Old Business:**

- Comm. Storino inquired about have meetings recorded for TV showing. Dir. Gola stated that Al Stasch is no longer recording meetings.

**7) PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: N/A**

**8) VILLAGE BOARD LIAISON COMMENTS:**

Trustee Tucker shared that she was aware of the information that Parks shared with the board in regards to mowing and field preparation.

**9) COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

-Comm. King: *Congratulated Parks on the improvements, signs look great. Revenue looks awesome on Recreation's report. He suggest looking into after school programming, movies in the gym during winter. Mentioned that the stage in the ICC's gym needs some TLC.*

-Comm. Cordova: *Echoed Comm. Kings comment. He is happy to see the Facebook post that Parks is doing to show the improvements around town. .*

-Comm. Storino: *another great meeting and was glad that the feasibility study is on its way.*

-Comm. Bousum: *no updates.*

**10) CHAIRMAN COMMENTS:** *Attended coffee with the Board, there was discussion of facilities and pools. Thanked everyone for attending meeting and wished everyone a Happy New year.*

**11) VILLAGE STAFF COMMENTS: N/A**

**12) ADJOURNMENT:** *Chair. Burns called for meeting to adjourn at 8:02 pm. Motion was made by Comm. Cordova and seconded by Comm. King. Acclamation vote was taken with all ayes.*

**NEXT MEETING: February 12, 2019.**