

**Citizen's Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes**  
**Virtual meeting of the Citizen's Recreation Commission was held on**  
**September 14, 2021 at Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan.**

**CALLED TO ORDER: 7:01**

**PRESENT:**

Lindsay Fratarolli  
Barb Janutol  
Tony Rennpage  
Amanda Starkey  
Amanda York

**ABSENT:**

Gib Heim  
Mark Miller  
Sarah Seger

**ALSO, PRESENT:** Angela Coletti Brown, Nicole Gerhart, Catherine Dumke Derbyshire, Melinda Billingsly, and Abby Klotz

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

**Motion** was made for acceptance of the corrected agenda for September 14, 2021 by Lindsay Fratarolli and seconded by Tony Rennpage.

**Approval of motion:**

**Yes:** Fratarolli, Janutol, Rennpage, Starkey and York

**No:** None

**Absent:** Heim, Miller and Seger

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

**Motion** to accept the minutes from July 13, 2021 was made by Lindsay Fratarolli and seconded by Amanda Starkey.

**Approval of motion:**

**Yes:** Fratarolli, Janutol, Rennpage, Starkey and York

**No:** None

**Absent:** Heim, Miller and Seger

**COUNCIL MEETING REPORT:**

- The Fall Fest is this weekend, Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Council approved payment of the pool cleaning service. Also, improvements for the Lakefront pool entrance fencing were approved.

### **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

- Tickets for the October 15<sup>th</sup> Hob Nob and Goblin are selling fast. There are about 200 tickets left.
- Improvement for fencing at the pool was explained. Specifically, the gate opening from the bathhouse to the pool is being re-engineered to fix the constant breakdown of the gate itself.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Amanda York welcomed Amanda Starkey to her first meeting.
- We still have a seat open. Abby Klotz, who some of us already met at the Fishing Derby, was again introduced and presented to the members. All were impressed.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Lindsay Fratarolli and seconded by Tony Rennpage to recommend Council approve **Abby Klotz** to fill the vacant seat on the Citizen's Recreation Commission.

### **Approval of motion:**

**Yes:** Fratarolli, Janutol, Rennpage, Starkey and York

**No:** None

**Absent:** Heim, Miller and Seger

- Fishing Derby Wrap Up:
  - There were 94 contestants.
  - All agreed that the 2 sessions for competition worked great for spacing out the fishing area and keeping the kiddos focused.
  - Goody bags were a hit, and should be reordered for next year.
  - Passing out the awards at the Music on the Lawn made it special for the winners and should also be repeated for future Derby's.
  - We should purchase extra tackle for those who forgot theirs and for those who need to replace lost hooks due to fishing mishaps.
  - Members thought maybe a short tutorial should be made available for "newbies to fishing".
  - Thoughts were expressed on appointing a chairperson, who could keep track of spending and reimbursement, so that we can better appropriate funds for our events.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Winter Fest 2022:
  - January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022
  - Event activities were discussed. The decision was made to not include the magician again.
  - Chamberlin Pony Rides has been contacted but hasn't approved our date as yet.
  - Possibility of having Super Heroes instead of the Princesses was discussed and approved.
  - Because of Covid issues, outside activities and picture availability with the characters should be encouraged, rather than an inside program.
  - Barb will contact Wahl Tent rental to get a price on a much larger tent to accommodate the Photo Booth and DJ along with the Super Heroes characters.
  - Amanda Starkey will talk to her contacts about food truck availability.
  - A suggestion was made to include the marching band from GPNorth, but there might be a timing problem in the day's events... i.e. noise issues with the animals and DJ timing.
  - Nikki will contact Grosse Pointe Farms for the availability of their fire pits for our use.
  - Kick off for our Snow Creation Contest could be included in the day's events.
- Chene Trombley Park updates should be included on our future agendas. Members feel we have a vested interest in the architectural amenities that will be included in the presentation to Council. Our Council rep, (Angela Coletti Brown) will keep us up to date.
- Possible expenses for the 2022 Winter Fest to date, should be reported at our next meeting, to keep better track of the budget. We need to request that Council appropriate the money needed to pay for this event.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Ms. Billingsly suggested that we include Super Heroes of color for the Winter Fest, to make this activity inclusive.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion** was made to adjourn the meeting by Lindsay Fratarolli and seconded by Tony Rennpage.

**Approval of motion:**

**Yes:** Fratarolli, Janutol, Rennpage, Starkey and York

**No:** None

**Absent:** Heim, Miller and Seger

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:27 pm.**

Respectfully submitted by: Barbara Janutol, Secretary of the Grosse Pointe Woods Citizen's Recreation Commission.