

Village of Glendale Heights
Parks & Recreation Committee
Tuesday, March 15, 2022
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>)	Absent
Aaron Murauskas (<i>Parks and Recreation Committee Member</i>)	Absent
Pat Maritato (<i>Parks and Recreation Committee Member - Chairman</i>)	Present
Enrique Arroyo (<i>Parks and Recreation Committee Member</i>)	Present
Other Attendance:	
Keith Knautz, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Facilities	
Tracy Claudio, Assistant to the Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities	
Chodri Ma Khokhar, Village President	
Bill Schmidt, Trustee District 1	
Chester Pojack, Trustee District 5	
Dawn Langdon, Gladstone Court, Glendale Heights	
Kevin Molidor, Homestead Dr, Naperville	
Blanca Palma, Linda Ave, Carol Stream	
Cristina Jaime-Felix, Thunderbird Trail, Carol Stream	
Kim Mulkerin, Saratoga Dr, Glendale Heights	
Dave Mulkerin, Saratoga Dr, Glendale Heights	
Jacob Mulkerin, Saratoga Dr, Glendale Heights	

Introductions

Introduction of the Committee Members and staff.

Presentation – Millennium Park

Director Knautz, welcomed Kevin Molidor, a teacher from Glenbard North’s Transition Program. Kevin distributed copies of the student presentation to the committee members. Blanca and Cristina, students of the transition program completed their presentation representing their peers and the need for Millennium Park to be ADA compliant and asked that a ramp to access the park and playground be added. Director Knautz stated that Millennium Park is budgeted to receive a new playground in fiscal year 2022/2023, with approval of the Village Board. He stated one of the goals is for the park and playground to be ADA compliant. Director Knautz congratulated the students on a well-presented Millennium Park presentation and that is great to hear from the students/residents of Glendale Heights.

Discussion Regarding – Camera Park Update

Director Knautz stated that the roof of the building is going up and that the turf for the challenge course will be completed next week. Clauss Construction is making progress on the electrical upgrades. The project should be complete by the next Parks and Recreation Committee meeting in May. A tentative date for a grand re-opening of the park is Memorial Day weekend. Trustee Pojack suggested having the next Parks and Recreation Committee meeting at the park under the new shelter.

Discussion Regarding – Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Policy Training

Director Knautz reminded the committee members that the Village requires all committee members to complete this training. He stated a link to complete the training was emailed to all members.

Discussion Regarding – 2022/2023 Fiscal Year Budget

Director Knautz stated the 2022/2023 budget will be presented to the Village Board on Tuesday, March 29, 2022. Some of the big ticket items in this budget include: Millennium Playground, \$100,000, Gym A and B floor refinishing, \$20,000, boiler replacement for the main pool, \$35,000, sand filter replacement, \$32,000, Pheasant Ridge basketball court, \$27,000, Camera Park basketball court, \$10,500, Millennium Park basketball court, \$7,500 and design fees for Simon’s property, \$40,000.

Discussion Regarding – Raising Fees

Director Knautz stated staff is working on the summer brochure and wanted to give a heads up that fees will have to be increased this year. With the increases in minimum wage and rising costs for operations such as chemicals, gas, etc., that the increases are absolutely necessary. In 2019, pool passes were \$45 for residents and \$70 for non-residents. This summer they will be \$70 for residents and \$90 for non-residents. Other larger programs that will see increases this year will be the PATH Before and After School Care Program and the Preschool Program. Most other programming will have minimal increases.

Discussion Regarding – Upcoming Events/Program Updates

Director Knautz stated Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be held on Saturday, April 9, 2022. Youth basketball will be ending this weekend and youth soccer ended last weekend. Open gym will re-open during spring break. The summer brochure will be out to residents late April.

Discussion Regarding – Other

Director Knautz stated that there are currently little libraries at College and Nazos Park. The Friends of the Library paid for the materials to build them and they take responsibility for filling them. They are requesting to put one at Siems and Heritage Parks. We are also considering one at Camera Park along the path by the library.

Adjournment

The Committee moved to adjourn, by voice vote, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.