

Ardasley Parks & Recreation
February 9, 2021

The February 9th Parks & Recreation meeting began at 5 PM. In attendance were Trish Lacy, Allen Chen, Steve Edelstein and Lorraine Kuhn.

Minutes from the January 12, 2021 meeting were approved unanimously. They will be posted on the Recreation Commission webpage.

Welcome to new Rec Comm member Allen Chen!

Old Business:

Snow Angels:

Trish thanks all the volunteers who helped out with the 15"+ snowstorm. Ten driveways were shoveled for Ardsley residents in great need of assistance. Students who helped will receive Community Service credit. Another "blast" will be sent out on Friday to ask for more volunteers.

Seniors:

Nick continues to check on all of our Seniors to see that they are safe and well. More than 2/3 of our Seniors have received the first Covid vaccination. Rite Aid will be getting a second batch of 200 vaccinations, and pharmacist Jen will notify us on how the Seniors can sign up. Trish has been checking the Rite Aid website every day for more information. Allen said that he dealt with the Rite Aid in Riverdale, and he suggested that volunteers might help the Seniors with pharmacy sites on their computers. Trish said that she will get in touch with the Seniors who do not have access to computers. Steve said he was on a conference call with County Exec Latimer and that Emily Saltzman was the contact person for Covid in his office.

"Guess-the-Kisses-in-the-Jar" Contest:

Trish says that there were close to 60 entries for the candy "Kisses" contest. The winner will be announced on February 10th. The actual number was 588, and the winning guess was 555. She thanks all who participated.

Upcoming Programs:

Men's Softball:

There will be a Softball Managers Meeting next week. Trish needs to decide whether to have a regular season or a shortened season, possibly 5 weeks. Season usually opens the second week of April. She said that Greener World will return to keep the Softball Field in shape.

Pascone Park:

Trish would like to get a fob key system for the Tennis Courts. Cost would be approximately \$12K. She spoke with Larry Tomasso who said that the bathrooms at Pascone Park needs to be done first. Steve suggested that we might be able to get a grant from Rep Abinanti's office. He said that the Village Board had a Budget Working Session and may consider hiring a consultant for Pascone Park. Trish asked if the Skatepark would be opening and Lorraine said that it was able to be open from July to November 2020 and planned to reopen in April 2021. Lorraine asked about the Basketball Courts and Trish said that there is no opening date yet.

Community Center:

Trish would like to get a key fob lock for the small Conference Room at the Community Center. She also said that the Center needs a new HVAC system. The Community Center is still closed to the public.

Virtual Classes:

Virtual Classes being offered include Chess: New Beginners, Rising Stars, New Challenger and Future Masters, Virtual Bingo, Virtual Lego Building and Virtual Crafty Creations. Chess is going well. Trish is moving the starting dates for the other classes to one week later. Allen asked if children were eligible and Trish said that all the programs were open to children, with Chess available up to college level. Bingo is geared for family participation. Trish would like to add Virtual Fitness Class. Allen suggested a one-on-one instructor he knew from his Master Networks. Trish has a Yoga instructor and Allen had a new instructor from Garth Road as well. Trish would like to try outdoor Yoga classes again as soon as the weather permits.

New Business:**Lego Building Contest:**

Trish will run a new Lego Building Contest starting on President's Day, running for 2 weeks. We will send a "blast" and post it on myrec and Village websites.

Concerts-in-the-Park:

Trish is not sure about policy for concerts this summer yet. She said that The Kootz is interested in coming back. Allen asked about virtual concerts. Trish said that the two Movie-in-the-Park events held at Pascone Park went well, so maybe we can run concerts again, too.

Next Meeting: Tuesday March 9th at 5 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Lorraine Kuhn