

**Ardsley Parks & Recreation**  
**May 25, 2021**

The May 25<sup>th</sup> Parks & Recreation meeting began at 5 PM. In attendance were Trish Lacy, Allen Chen, Steve Edelstein, Abe Falek, and Lorraine Kuhn.

Minutes from the April 13, 2021 meeting were approved unanimously. They will be posted on the Recreation Commission webpage.

**Old Business:**

**Summer Outdoor Programs:**

Trish reports that the 6 week Ninja Grit program, 1 week Grit Ninja Camp, Pee Wee Soccer, and Tennis Lessons are going well at Pascone Park. She is working on adding a 6 week Kickball program for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders to be run at Pascone Park this summer.

**Men's Softball:**

Men's Softball is running smoothly with only one rainout so far.

**Field Rental:**

Trish says that the Field Rental system is working and fees are being collected. Cricketeers have rented Pascone Park Softball Field for Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings, and Women Cricket players have rented for Friday evenings.

**Seniors:**

Nick continues to check on all of our Seniors to see if they are safe and well. Trish & Nick will welcome them back to the Community Center on Wednesday June 2 with banners, balloons and cake. On Wednesday June 9, the Rec Dept and Police Dept will co-sponsor a "Welcome Back BBQ" at the Community Center starting at 11:30 AM.

**Upcoming Programs:**

**Summer Concerts-in-the-Park:**

Trish says that our first concert will be "Juneteenth Music Festival" on Saturday June 19 at 7 PM, featuring June Archer.

**Ardsley Multi Cultural, Diversity and Inclusion Committee Events in the Park:**

There will be a Juneteenth Celebration at Pascone Park on Saturday June 19 from 12 to 4 PM. Steve says that there will be speeches, recorded music and Arts 'n Crafts. There may be some entertainment performed by students. Steve asked about a sound system and Trish said that we have one that is used for Movies-in-the-Park. He asked about tents and Trish said that Officer Tony Vacca has a tent we could use. Steve said there will be food trucks. Allen asked if they need a catering license. Trish said that Charles is handling food truck requirements.

The next AMDI event will be the Pride Event to be held at Pascone Park on Saturday June 26 from 12 to 4 PM. Steve said there will be a banner & flags on the utility poles. Allen asked about food trucks. Steve said there may be an empanada truck available for that date. Allen suggested an African American-owned food truck which is based at the new Elmsford food truck stop (site of the former Redd Foxx diner).

**Ice Cream Social:**

The Rec Dept and Police Dept will be co-hosting our Annual Ice Cream Social at Pascone Park on Thursday June 24 from 6 to 8 PM. Live music will be provided by "The Saints". Rec volunteers and Police will scoop out the ice cream, add the toppings and hand it out to 20 people at a time. Allen & Steve have volunteered to scoop, Lorraine volunteered to shop for supplies.

**Garage Sale:**

Trish has scheduled our Annual Garage Sale for Sunday June 27 from 10 AM to 4 PM to be held at Pascone Park. There is no raindate.

**Community Center:**

Trish is starting programming at the Community Center. There will be 2 Chess Classes, Bingo, Arts 'n Crafts and Lego Classes this summer. Community Center rental is now on an hourly basis. Trish is working on getting the A/C in shape for re-opening. Allen asked if there were any other Village indoor rental spaces. Trish said that we only rent out the Community Center.

**New Business:****McDowell Basketball Courts:**

Trish reports that the Basketball Courts at McDowell Park will be renovated at the end of June. Sport Tech is doing the work. The Little League trailer may need to be moved to another location at the Park.

**Pascone Park Plans:**

Steve would like to get some professional help with finalizing the design for Pascone Park upgrades. Lorraine asked about the Basketball hoops and Trish said that they will be going back up soon. She said that there is also an inter-Village Youth Basketball program with Dobbs Ferry this summer.

**Village of Ardsley 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:**

Trish says the VofA 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary will be held on Columbus Day weekend. She has a Bubble Truck on reserve and there will be Fireworks. She would like to have a Gil Parris Concert.

Next Meeting: Tuesday June 8<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Lorraine Kuhn