



Addison Park District
Citizens Advisory Committee
March 12, 2009
Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting of the Addison Park District was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Committee Chair Sheri D'Ambrose on March 12, 2009 at Club Fitness, 1776 West Centennial Place, Addison, DuPage County, Illinois.

2. ROLL CALL

Those in attendance were committee members, Chris Kasper, Thomas Tovelto, Virginia Hardenbrook, Joanna Terry, Sheri D'Ambrose, Michael Walaszek, Kelly Sisco and Noel Rolle. Absent were Oscar Olivia, John Cannata and Francesca Orsi.

3. CHANGE IN AGENDA

The committee would also like to add Community Organization reports to the agenda.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tom Tovelto approved, second by Virginia Hardenbrook

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

None. The committee would like to advertise the CAC meeting to the public by adding the meeting dates to the district marquees.

6. COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

The following is the upcoming schedule of invited community organizations:

April 9	Darlene Schmidt, Adult Services Coordinator
May 14	Addison Swim & Dive team and Charles Sims, Manager of Golf Operations
June 11	Addison Rec Club & Noel Roelle, Superintendent of Parks and Planning
July 9	No meeting
August 13	Addison United Soccer Club (AUSC)
Sept. 10	Addison Girls Sports Program (AGSP)
Oct. 8	No meeting
Nov. 12	Addison Trail High School Student Counsel
Dec. 10	TBA

7. NOEL ROLLE – SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS

Noel Rolle reported on field conditions and light maintenance at the sled hill shelter at Community Park. Mr. Rolle supplies Mike Hardnett from the Addison Rec Club daily reports on field conditions for football and baseball. Noel also addressed conditions at Foxdale Park, and stated there has been some standing water and long grass near the path by the wall Idot put up. This wall limits the drainage and therefore the drainage of this park is slow. The Addison Park District is developing a district master plan and Foxdale will be part of that plan. There is a possibility that the playground may be relocated but for now it is on hold. The parks department is also looking into refinishing the three main parking lots at the main sights (Centennial Park, Community Park & Links N' Tees). They are working on controlling the goose droppings in the field despite the fact that some residents are feeding the geese at Highview park. Future plans are to re-skin the ball fields, replace an aviator at the Centennial Pond but no major renovations are planned.

Noel Roelle also mentioned that Saturday, May 9, 2009 from 7am-11am was Park Pride Day and that we are looking for volunteers to help out with the parks that day.

The parks department are currently working on the outside pool for this summer starting with the repair of the main pump and looking into how well the heater is working. The heater could be an issue if it is not working properly because the park district has not budgeted for a new one. The concrete slabs around the pool on the deck are not level and they need to be prepared before summer. The chemical pumps are working fine.

8. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Committee members did suggest that someone from the park district put daily field conditions on the website to try and limit use in the parks when field conditions are poor due to weather. These reports would also include if the fields were playable or unplayable. The committee also suggested that someone from the park district meet with a representative from Addison Rec Club to discuss how they could help maintain the fields and possibly offer a stipend or donation towards the field maintenance. Other suggestions were to have these outside clubs pay for field seeding and include a fee to be given to the park district at the time of registration. A suggestion was made to ask the Addison Park District board to look at creating a policy to have these outside groups pay for their field usage.

Another suggestion was that we try to secure Wheaton Swim Club and other similar organizations to rent out the 50 meter lanes in the outside pool to try and generate revenue. Addison Trail High School may also be interested in renting 3 lanes between 9:30am and noon. Committee members acknowledged that there is a need for 50 meter pools. The park district is going to look at current swim lesson times so that we can rent the pool in the evenings or possibly move the swim lesson programs over to Club Fitness and use the indoor pool.

A number of committee members discussed putting flyers up in the school to try and promote programs to the youth & teens. They discussed contacting district #4 and District #88 to see if we can get a bulletin board put up that the park district would maintain. We could advertise upcoming programs and employment opportunities as many students need community service

hours for National Honors Society (NHS) . One committee member will handout volunteer opportunities at school during her NHS meetings. Student council also offered to share ½ their bulletin board for park district usage. We also discussed emailing this information to students. Committee did not feel that many students were reading the school district emails.

Virginia Hardenbrook reported that Monday, March 16 was the senior St. Patrick's Day party from 11am-3pm at the Empress Banquets and they were looking for volunteers. Contact Darlene Schnidt to volunteer.

9. STAFF REPORTS

Kelly Sisco announced that she needed volunteer help at a few upcoming special events. She was looking for volunteers for the Clover Hunt on Tuesday, March 17 from 4:30pm-5:30pm and also at the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4 at Community Park. The event runs from 7:30am-11:30am and she needs volunteers from 8:30am-11:00am. She was also looking for volunteers to help out at the Jr. High Dance on Friday, March 20 from 6:30pm-9:30pm.

Michael Walaszek reported that next year the Addison Park District may go to a 3 brochure series instead of a 4 brochure series. This will ease some printing costs and save on delivery charges. The committee suggested that we also look into a 2 brochure series (fall/winter, and spring/summer). Michael also reported that spring soccer registration was ending soon and that we hired a new golf maintenance guy that will work 9-months at Links N' Tees golf facility. Lastly, Michael reported that starting on April 25 we will have our 40th anniversary kickoff event at Centennial Park starting at 5:00pm.

Michael will make all committee members a copy of the new board policy to review for the next meeting.

10. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, April 9, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at Club Fitness

11. ADJOURNMENT

Sheri D'Ambrose adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By,
Kelly Sisco