

**VILLAGE OF VALLEY VIEW  
RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

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**RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, October 14, 2015

7:00 P.M. Meeting

- I. Roll Call
- A. Todd Von Ville, Director of Recreation
  - B. Janet Flaherty, Assistant Director of Recreation
  - C. Rocco Casadonte, Recreation Board
  - D. Mike Foote, Recreation Board – ABSENT
  - E. Jeff Grabel, Recreation Board
  - F. Debbie Hartman, Recreation Board
  - G. Don Paulson, Recreation Board
  - H. Dan Westfall, Council Recreation Committee Chair – ABSENT
  - I. Barb Drockton, Council Representative – ABSENT
  - J. Julie Jakubczak, Council Representative – ABSENT
- II. Service Department/Groundskeepers
- The Groundskeepers are continuing to perform fall upkeep and are preparing the parks for winter.
- III. Project List
- The Gazebo Wall in Valley View Woods is expected to be on the agenda at a winter Council meeting.
  - Council has granted approval for plans and specifications for re-grading and drainage at Miller Park (aka Tiny Lane). As part of the possible project at Miller Park, the Board would also like the following to be included: (1) completely fencing in the basketball court and locking the gate as is done in Valley View Woods. (2) Adding 2-3 parking stalls at the park. The Board would like to see a rendering of where the spots could be added to have the least amount of impact on the residents adjacent to the park, as well as to the park itself. (3) Construction of privacy fencing around the portable toilet at the park (i.e. similar to the portable toilet at the soccer field).
  - By a 4-0 vote, the Board recommends to Council to approve building dugouts at Lombardo Park. The Board believes that the dugouts in Valley View Woods were well-received and provide a solid working model for dugouts at Lombardo Park. The Board is hopeful that dugouts can be completed in time for the 2016 season.
  - The Board also determined that it would like to see some small areas of experimentation on the path in Valley View Woods to see if erosion can be lessened in problem areas. The Board would like to try using a honeycomb type of structure on the east and west sides of the bridge connecting the soccer field area to the area adjacent to Pavilion C. The east side of the bridge also had curbing at the road that may need to be re-installed in an effort to reduce the water flow down to the path. The Board would also like to try a section of grooved asphalt on the area of incline to the east side of the bridge across the road from Pavilion A. The Board wants to make sure

this section of asphalt would be made in a way that prevents it from being slick when wet. The Recreation Department will communicate this request to the Engineer's Office.

IV. Toddler Playground

- The Board will have further discussion regarding a potential toddler playground at future meetings. The Board would like to determine what areas may be best-suited for such an addition prior to moving forward with discussion on what type of apparatus may be feasible.

V. Pets on Athletic Fields

- The Board would like to have signs posted at athletic fields that indicate that pets are not to be walked on the fields, and that all dogs must be on a leash. The Board also would like to have future discussion regarding the possibility and viability of a fenced-in dog park in Valley View.

VI. Information Update

- Recreation Fund Available Balance Update (as of September 30, 2015) from Clerk/Treasurer Carol Tomasko: \$304,562.04. The Board asked at what time of year are funds from the County received by the Village for the Recreation Fund. The Recreation Department will obtain the information from Clerk/Treasurer Tomasko.
- The Children's Halloween Party will take place on Saturday, October 24 from 1-3 PM.
- Registration for Youth Basketball has begun. Basketball Clinics are set for November 8 and 22. Cuyahoga Heights Basketball Coaches Al Martin and Mike Tartara will instruct the clinics.

VII. Other Discussion

- Board Member Don Paulson asked the Board to keep in mind Phase II of the Fitness Room improvements. Paulson indicated that the new aerobics equipment and televisions have been well-received. For 2016, the Board should look into any additions or improvements to the weight/strength area of the room. The surveys that were obtained prior to the purchase of aerobic equipment in 2014 could be used as a starting point for discussion.

**Next Meeting: Thursday, November 19 at 7:00 P.M. – Village Hall**