

**VILLAGE OF VALLEY VIEW
RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

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RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 17, 2019

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. Doug Dyer, Recreation Board
 - E. Jeff Grabel, Recreation Board – ABSENT
 - F. Debbie Hartman, Recreation Board
 - G. Tina Paulson, Recreation Board
 - H. Tom Perk, Council Recreation Committee Chair – ABSENT
 - I. Brad Borowy, Council Representative – ABSENT
 - J. Dan Westfall, Council Representative – ABSENT
 - K. Jeff Gabor, Groundskeepers Foreman

- II. Service Department/Groundskeepers
 - Groundskeepers Foreman Jeff Gabor stated that the groundskeepers have done some tree trimming and removal in Valley View Woods. The removal has focused on diseased and/or dead trees. The groundskeepers are also keeping up on equipment maintenance for winter.

- III. Elect President of Recreation Board for 2019
 - Tina Paulson was elected President of the Recreation Board for 2019 by a 4-0 vote.

- IV. Project List
 - The Board would like the Engineer to look into the following projects for 2019, including reasonable cost estimates depending upon the scope of the projects: repair areas of the walking path in Valley View Woods that are most prone to consistent erosion; batting cage in Valley View Woods; an upgrade of Pavilions D&E or the pavilion at Lombardo Park.
 - At the January Council Meeting, Council provided funding for an architect to develop conceptual drawings for a potential kitchen at Pavilions D&E.
 - Additional possible projects (replacement of the pipe beyond the outfield fence at Winik Field, the camera work and the potential cleaning of the storm sewer at the soccer field in Valley View Woods, and test areas on the path to curb erosion) are still in the queue with the Engineer's Office. The timing of the work at Winik will hopefully avoid major conflicts with scheduled activities, and the Recreation Department is working in conjunction with the Engineer's office to have as little of an impact to the schedule as possible.

- Some residents have mentioned interest in pickleball in Valley View, which is a game similar to tennis. The Recreation Board suggested that the Recreation Department look into what it would take to utilize one of the tennis courts in Valley View Woods as a pickleball court. Could the court be marked in a way that it could be used for both tennis and pickleball, or would one of the courts have to be converted into a pickleball-only court?
- An inquiry by a resident was made regarding opening the Community Center earlier on Saturdays (current opening time is 9 AM). The Board indicated that they have reviewed similar requests in the past and the interest level to make a change has not been demonstrated to pursue a change. The Recreation Department will report back to the Board if there seems to be an increase in requests.

V. Information Update

- Spring Soccer registrations (deadline March 1), Baseball/Softball registrations (deadline April 1), and Coaching Applications are in the lobby of the Community Center.
- Youth Baseball and Softball Clinics and Pitching Clinics are in the process of being scheduled for the spring.

VI. Other Discussion

- Board member Tina Paulson suggested that the membership form for the Community Center clearly indicate the qualifying age for a senior membership, and to request that the front desk staff check forms for potential eligibility as well.
- With the levy renewal expected to be on the ballot for November, the Board will consider how to possibly use space in the Community Center to highlight recent projects for residents to see for informational purposes.

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 21 at 7:00 P.M. – Random Selection of Pavilion Lottery Positions - Village Hall