



Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes
Tuesday, January 25, 2022
7:00 p.m.

Mayor DiCicco swore in Mrs. Shannon Appell

Mayor DiCicco called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Mayor DiCicco opened nominations for Chairperson. Mrs. Appell nominated Mrs. Moses. No other nominations were made. Mrs. Dilulio seconded the motion. Roll call was conducted, and Mrs. Moses' nomination was approved.

Mayor DiCicco opened nominations for Vice Chairperson. Mr. Hasto nominated Mrs. Appell. No other nominations were made. Mrs. Dilulio seconded the motion. Roll call was conducted and Mrs. Appell's nomination was approved.

Mayor DiCicco turned the meeting over to Mrs. Moses.
Mrs. Moses called for the Roll Call.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mrs. Shannon Appell, Mrs. Heather Dilulio, Mr. Mike Hasto, Mrs. Ashley Moses, Mr. Don Manno, Mrs. Sue Manno, Mrs. Diane Snider

Also, present: Mayor DiCicco, Mr. Sean Ward- Director of Recreation, Ms. Patty Rogaliner – Secretary

Absent: Mr. Michael Horvat, Mrs. Nicole Polo

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 20, 2021, minutes motion to approve made by Mrs. Manno and seconded by Mrs. Appell, all in favor approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

Selection of Event Chairs

Bunny- Mrs. Moses & Nikki Polo

Halloween – Mike Horvat & Sue Manno

Santa – Mrs. Appell, Mr. Hasto & Mrs. Dilulio

REPORT OF MAYOR

Mayor DiCicco commended the Service Department for doing a great job during the wicked snowstorm on Monday, January 17. The Mayor announced that Crumbl Cookie is coming to Mayfield Town Center next to Five Guys.

He mentioned that the Fire Department has fire alarms that can be installed in homes that the resident owns & resides in. For more information contact them directly. The department is offering Heart Saver and AED classes. Contact the Recreation Department for more information.

The Mayor offered congratulations to Chief Fred Bittner on his retirement February 4 after 33 years of service.

REPORT OF RECREATION DIRECTOR

Director Ward announced that the community center will close after the last party to be held on February 12, 2022. There are plans in the works to hold an auction near the end of February for the things we can't store or can't be reused. The plan is to start demo of the community center in March. There have been a few changes to the plans, and they have been updated on the website.

Mr. Manno asked if we don't have a pool company to build the pool, will we still close the pool? Mr. Ward and Mayor said they will work on getting a confirmation at the next committee meeting.

Mr. Ward said that plans for the Bunny will be outside in the park again on April 9. The tennis courts can be used for the egg hunt in the event the ground is too wet.

Unity Days will be June 24 – June 26. Parade planning meetings will be planned soon.

Fireworks will be held on Saturday and Mr. Ward is working with the company to come up with our plan and the construction. It was suggested that we look to obtain more shuttles since the community center parking is not an option this summer. The Mayor confirmed that the Bocce Tournament will not be back to City Park for the Unity Days weekend.

It was mentioned that it was hard to move around the ride area last year. Mr. Ward stated moving to the parking lot is not always ideal but noted it.

REPORT OF COUNCIL MEMBER DON MANNO

Mr. Manno shared that last night was one of the longest council meetings ever. He mentioned that a proclamation was read in regard to Chief Bittner’s retirement. Council voted 4-3 against the Gates Mills Trail being sent for administration and engineering.

REPORT OF COUNCIL MEMBER DIANE SNIDER

Mrs. Snider gave a summary on the Gates Mills Blvd. trail from last nights council meeting. She stated that this trail and other things come from this commission and commended Director Ward on his dedication and hard work on this project. She shared that so many residents wished to speak that she extended the public portion of the meeting to accommodate all who wished to have their say. 24 of the 36 in attendance that spoke, spoke in favor of the trail. Council also heard many emails read.

After council had unanimously approved three resolutions and passed to apply for the grant. They chose to vote down this next step.

Now that this trail has been voted down, she is worried the same may happen with the new aquatic and community center. If the project can’t get approval by this council, it should stop now and not waste any more time and energy.

Mr. Hasto questioned that if the survey Director Ward did of the residents on Gates Mills Blvd. resulted in a 31 – 17 in favor of the trail whose voices should have been listened to?

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A motion to move the March 22 meeting to March 29 due to Mayfield Schools spring break and members being unavailable for the meeting date was made by Mrs. Appell and seconded by Mr. Hasto. All in favor, motion carried.

Mrs. Appell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 pm, seconded by Mrs. Manno.

The next Parks and Recreation Commission will be February 22, 2022.

Respectfully submitted by:



Patty Rogaliner
Secretary

Approved by:



Ashley Moses
Co Chair