# Barrington Hills Park District

## **Riding Center Advisory Committee Meeting**

## Minutes 04/04/2017

April 04, 2017 at 7:13pm

Park Board Rep: Steve Allen

### Guest: None

### AC Members:

- Andre van Vuren
- Gigi Iacovelli
- Jeryl Olson
- Barb McMorris
- Juanita Kennedy
- Abra Shapiro

Move to approve March minutes, Barb seconds, approved.

### UPDATES FROM PARK BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

- 1. New outdoor arena sand and limestone completed.
- 2. Use ordinance is passed.
- 3. Tennis courts will be the big budget item this year at approximately 100K
- 4. All previous discussed rentals are approved.
  - a. RENTAL REQUESTS
  - i. Allison Springer Clinic July 1 & 2 [some issues regarding 2 clinics on the same day] Barb to look at the possibility of Cressie's for a rain option on Sunday
  - ii. Riding Club Trail Riding Clinic Barb Gerbitz July 1 & 2 [Barb to meet with Lorelei to look into options for RC Sunday in case of rain]
  - iii. Peter Gray rental May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>
- 5. Trainer limitation will be discussed at next park board meeting. Discussion around limiting hours trainers can teach? Jeryl suggested a sign that states "Only registered trainers allowed to train at this facility."
- 6. PB to maintain the calendar year round
- 7. Limit number of riders in the arena at one time
- Steve asked if there is a trainer/s that may be interested in welcoming newcomers. Rosemary fields calls from people who inquire about equestrian activities. Steve to look for the form he designed a while back regarding this topic – "Welcome Wagon" concept.

User fees will begin discussion again at next park board meeting. Planning to implement by November 1, 2017.

Polo barn cross ties have been ordered and installed.

### 9. RENTAL REQUESTS

- 1. Mini Event May 19<sup>th</sup> thru 21st
- 2. Horse Trails June 22<sup>nd</sup> thru June 25th full rental
- 3. Pony Club Camp June 5<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup>
- 4. August 13<sup>th</sup> the Honor Ride, a bicycle ride, will start and stage at riding center, a full facility rental.
- 5. Ignite the Night submitted for a permit September 28th to October  $2^{nd}$ .

#### MAINTENANCE ITEMS

- Juanita to make a list of all the barn doors that do not close properly
- Electric wire hanging between the main barn and the turnout paddock

### REQUEST FOR THE PARK BOARD

Jeryl requested that the Hound House can be used for Sunny Sundays. Will need some updates in the kitchen. Goal for the end of Summer.

Request for the PB to keep the club informed of the progress on the user fee amount through the process.

Barb raised the issue that Honor Ride and Hills are Alive events [3 consecutive days] was never brought to the attention of the Advisory Board. These are a non-equestrian events. The request is to have the Park Board look into the matter on how this was passed without prior Advisory Board consideration.

Flooding issue by the Hound House may need to be investigated.

Juanita brought up that some riders leave their horses unattended in the paddock that prevents others from entering. A suggestion is to limit unattended horses to 30 minutes.

Upgrade electric under the parking lot. Currently trips breakers constantly. Possible solution is to upgrade the current 100Amp service to a 200Amps.

Indoor arena light timers need to be checked for functionality [tend to stay on]

#### OTHER COMMENTS AND UPDATES

Trainer limitation suggestions from this committee is being submitted to Park Board.

Park Board does not feel there is a way to limit the number of approved trainers.

Park Board to look into the number of trainers in the indoor and the outdoor arena.

There are some trainers that are not signed up with the PD for lessons training in the arena. What action will the PB take? PB to discuss possible action steps.

PC Sunday cancellation announcement procedure implemented

All communications for AC business must be done via the new GMAIL.

PREVIOUS SUGGESTIONS BY THE ADVISORY BOARD

Limiting Trainers suggestions:

- 1. Limit number of students in lessons and even fewer in indoor than outdoor.
  - a. Indoor: 2 max
  - b. Outdoor: 4 max
- 2. Limit number of lessons given at same time.
  - a. In indoor, one lesson of two or two lessons of one each, year round.
  - b. In outdoor, no more than two lessons with up to two students each, or one lesson with up to four students.
- 3. Limiting the number of lessons each trainer can give per month. This is to control one trainer from monopolizing facility.

Adjourned 8:30 pm