

BARRINGTON HILLS PARK DISTRICT
P.O. Box 1393 - Barrington, IL 60011
Board of Commissioners
Park Board Meeting Minutes for November 13, 2017

Motion to approve the purchase of an appreciation gift for Advisory Committee members, provide pizza and a beverage for the December Advisory Committee meeting, and for all Park Board Members to attend the meeting was made by Dennis Kelly and seconded by Steven Allen.

3 ayes 0 nays 2 absent

Motion to review all active Park District Agreements was made Maureen Crump and seconded by Dennis Kelly.

3 ayes 0 nays 2 absent

Motion to approve the Riding Club of Barrington Hills agreement as agreed upon at the May 2017 meeting was made Dennis and seconded by Steven Allen.

3 ayes 0 nays 2 absent

Motion to approve the 2018 tax levy was made by Dennis Kelly and seconded by Maureen Crump

Roll call:

Dennis Kelly, Aye

Steven Allen, Aye

Maureen Crump, Aye

John Rosene, absent

Jessica Underwood, absent

3 ayes 0 nays 2 absent

Motion passes

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m. was made by Dennis Kelly and seconded by Maureen Crump.

3 ayes 0 nays 2 absent

Commissioners' Discussion:

Chris Girard from Pilates Studio LLC in South Barrington requested to use the meeting room to hold a free demonstration class to the equestrian community. The Board suggested she contact the Riding Club to see if they are willing to sponsor the event. It was also suggested that the meeting room/office is not conducive to holding exercise classes.

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was not able to calculate the costs. The Board thus passed a motion to charge a flat fee.

Fred McMorris, on behalf of the Pony Club and as a concerned citizen, voiced his objections to the Park District not consistently implement their rental fees, policies, and treatment in renting the Riding Center facilities in 2017. Mr. McMorris requested the Board refund all the participant fees charged to the Pony Club in 2017. Mr. McMorris also stated that the \$5.00 increase in participant fees would be a hardship for Pony Club's future events.

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Kim Keper will send an email to Kenny Dierks about posting his lessons on the online calendar but not showing up for those lessons and not removing the lessons from the online calendar.

In a discussion about the quality and number of stadium field jumps provided by Pony Club, Fred and Barb McMorris stated that the FRVPC Agreement does not specify the number, quality or type of jumps that should be provided. The FRVPC agreement will be reviewed by the Park Board.

Steven Allen presented the Advisory Committees request to purchase poles for pole-bending exercises for riders. Three barrels were also requested. Three barrels from the round pen will be brought into the indoor arena for the winter, and Steven Allen will locate various sources to purchase the poles.

Dennis will meet with Richard Calfa to review our insurance needs,

The staff will research replacing the two sets of bleachers, each bleacher currently seats 40 people.

Discussion on the Winter Trainers Meeting and Winter Tractor Users Meeting will be tabled until the December meeting.

Cleaning out the tractor shed and hauling away debris from the two viewing stands will be schedule in the spring.

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No rental agreements were presented.

The Pony Club would like to use the Santa house that has two doors for their Horse Trial event.

Facility maintenance issues include:

Hiring an electrician to repair two outdoor front parking lot lights; install a motion-detection light on the meeting room south entrance door; check the timer on the arena lights, and install a permanent electric connection in the back parking lot area for event hook-ups.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Keper

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