



Fremont Township Parks Committee Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2014 @ 7:00 p.m.

22385 W. IL. RTE 60, Mundelein IL. 60060

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Dan Prezell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Committee Members Present: Dan Prezell, Connie Shanahan, Fred Weinberg, Herb Riedel

Others Present: Diana O'Kelly, Ann Bikus, Kevin McKay, Shah Quaiyoom, John Long

3. Public Comments

None

4. Approval of Minutes

- Connie Shanahan moved and Fred Weinberg seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2014 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

5. Lake County Lightning 2014 Update & 2015 Outlook Report

Ann Bikus represented the Lake County Lightning in Jerry Fox's absence. Ann stated that in 2014 there were 12 Lightning teams ranging from the ages of 9 to 14 yrs. of age. This resulted in approx. 140 kids among the 12 teams with over 600 games played combined. Ann also commented on just how well known the Lightning organization is becoming in surrounding states and she also pointed out that a Lightning team even won a National Cooperstown Tournament which made CBS News. For 2015, 250 kids tried out and because of this the Lightning will expand to more teams. The Lightning asked permission from the Committee to allow the installation of Wind Screens at Behm Park. The Committee had no objection as long as the Lightning purchases the wind screens, takes responsibility for installation and removal of the windscreens, and ensures the

windscreens will not block spectator's views to the field. The Lightning presented 4 pictures of different Scorer's tables to consider. There would be a scorer's table for each field at Behm and 1 additional table for Ivanhoe. The Communication panels would need to be moved if these Scorer's Tables were approved. Riedel said that he would try to get a ball park figure for the committee on the cost to move these panels.

6. Mundelein Soccer Association 2014 Update & 2015 Outlook Report

Shah Quaiyoom represented the Mundelein Soccer Association. Shah stated that 2014 consisted of 220 players divided into 17 teams with ages ranging from 6yrs. old to high school. Behm Park is still primarily used for the high school kids due to the size of the field. Shah stated that he was going to put together a summary to show the committee how the soccer teams faired this season. Shah asked the committee to consider letting them to use Rebounders again at Behm Park to help aid in practice, and the committee agreed as long as Shah promised to store them properly after each practice. John Long, president of the Lake County Stallions agreed to let the Mundelein Soccer Association store their supplies in their shed for another season. Herb Riedel asked Shah if there was any need for bleachers at Behm Park for the Soccer games and Shah said No. Spectators usually bring their own chairs or just sit in the grass.

7. Mundelein Baseball & Softball Association 2014 Update & 2015 Outlook Report

The MBSA was represented by Kevin McKay. Kevin stated that the MBSA had 650 families make up 56 teams in 2014 with kids ranging from 5yrs. old to 14yrs old. The MBSA as a whole played around 5,000 games in 2014. They house 4 tournaments a year which attract teams from Northern Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota. Kevin stated that the improvements to Ivanhoe have been dramatic and well received by the MBSA Players and their Families. The MBSA also built a new shed at Ivanhoe to store their equipment. MBSA registration opened up on Nov. 1st, and with their current talent, Kevin looks forward to a strong 2015.

8. Lake County Stallions 2014 Update & 2015 Outlook Report

John Long represented the Lake County Stallions. John commented on how great the new restrooms are at Behm Park and how great the fields and facilities look. They are a part of the TCYFL which consists of just under 500 teams within approx. 40 towns. 9 Stallion Teams made the 2014 playoffs. John pointed out to the committee that one of their storage sheds was vandalized with white field paint. John assured the committee that they would no longer leave their field paint outside. Possible home playoff games were up and coming due to the success of the Stallions.

9. New Lease Agreements

Herb Riedel stated new Lease Agreements would be prepared for the Mundelein Soccer Association and the Lake County Stallions during the off season.

10. Projected Capital Improvements at Behm Park

Herb Riedel reviewed the projected capital improvements at Behm Park for 2015:

- a. Pickle Ball Courts/Relocation of Basketball Court
- b. Garbage/Recycling Centers
- c. Replace Carpet Areas on Football Field (Stallions)

- d. Install Behm Park Sign at Park Entrance
11. **Projected Maintenance Improvements at Behm Park**
Herb Riedel reviewed the projected maintenance improvements at Behm Park for 2015:
- a. Repaint Soccer Goals
 - b. Repaint Field Goal Posts/Install new Wind Flags
 - c. Fix Drainage on first base side of both Baseball Fields
12. **Projected Capital Improvements at Ivanhoe Community Club Park**
Herb Riedel reviewed the projected capital improvements at Ivanhoe Community Club Park for 2015:
- a. Finish Landscaping around newly paved Parking Lot
 - b. Stake Down new Parking Blocks
 - c. Finish PVC Fence around Porta Potties
 - d. New Bleachers for First and Third Baselines
 - e. Install 8-16 new trees
 - f. Install New ICCP Sign at Park Entrance
13. **Projected Maintenance Improvements at Ivanhoe Community Club Park**
Herb Riedel reviewed the projected maintenance improvements at Ivanhoe Community Club Park for 2015:
- a. Replace any Light Bulbs or Ballasts in Ball Field Lights (Late winter or very early spring).
14. **User Group Requirements**
The Committee reminded user groups that updated insurance, team rosters and team waivers are required to be turned in before the 2015 season begins.
15. **Adjourn**
The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.