

**PERINTON RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT**  
**ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 24, 2013**

**PRESENT:** Chair Al Chesonis, Advisory Board Members Jim Donahue, Paul Fioravanti, Cheryl Hanzlik, Jayne LaFay, Dave Schaeffer, Commissioner of Recreation and Parks Jeff Myers, Director of Recreation Diane Riesenberger and Director of Parks Stacey Estrich.

**GUEST:** Laura Silins, Head Lifeguard, Perinton Aquatic Center  
Laura has worked at the Aquatics Center for eight years and currently handles the scheduling of the pool guards and splash parties. Additionally, she provides training to individuals seeking American Red Cross Lifeguard certification. Laura's vision for aquatics is to offer as many program opportunities as possible to all members of the community. Any and all suggestions from the Advisory Board would be welcome for consideration.

**MINUTES:** Motion to approve the January 3, 2013 (December 2012 Business) minutes by Board member Paul Fioravanti, seconded by Board member Jim Donahue. An amendment to the minutes was requested. Minutes were approved as amended.

**COMMISSIONER MYERS' REPORT**

**BIDS**

All received bids for Recreation Equipment, Arts & Crafts Supplies, Wearing Apparel and Janitorial Services were opened on Thursday, January 10, 2013. The bids were approved at Town Board meeting last night, and orders will be immediately submitted. We will be spending \$21,214.40 more on recreation supplies this year. This significant increase is a result of adding athletic field maintenance supplies to the bid list. In the past, these items were quoted out by the Parks Department. While the bid amount has increased, there is not an increase in department expenditures. The Wearing Apparel bid has increased by \$755.55, due to adding lifeguard apparel to the bid. In the past, these items were purchased outright at a higher cost. The Arts & Crafts supplies bid decreased by \$1,169.62, and the Janitorial bid came in at the exact same price.

The Bid Opening for the Boiler Replacement will take place at 1:00pm on January 31<sup>st</sup>.

**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

The deposit to the Supervisor for January was \$151,091.93. This amount is \$11,684.48 less than January of 2012.

**STATE OF THE TOWN/VILLAGE**

On Wednesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, approximately 75 members of the Fairport/Perinton Chamber of Commerce attended the State of the Town and Village Address and Luncheon. The event was held at Burgundy Basin Inn. Supervisor Smith and Mayor May each highlighted some of the accomplishments of the past year and provided some updates on upcoming projects. This was the second year of this event. Supervisor Smith was honored with the Person of the Decade Award, by the Chamber of Commerce.

**O'CONNOR ROAD REALIGNMENT**

This project is set to begin this spring. It involves moving the location of O'Connor Road from its current path to intersect with Fairport Road across from Jefferson Avenue. The project is expected to take only one construction season, and most of the funding has been acquired through grants from the State Department of Transportation and Monroe County, as the end product will increase traffic safety in that area.

## **DIRECTOR ESTRICH'S REPORT**

### **New Features**

The Parks Staff has been busy preparing for the pond hockey tournaments. Coordination with Fairport Fire Department, Town DPW, Fairport Schools and private clubs will help complete and support the maintenance plan for events. Winterfest will be held February 9 through 17, 2013. <http://www.fairporthockey.com/Contacts.php>

The Perinton Community Garden has sold out all 88 beds. About 15 "Share the Harvest" members are remaining. Garden member packets will be mailed shortly with a winter group meeting late February. Girl Scout Troop 41 is participating in the "Share the Harvest" for 2013. Fifteen girls will be trying to achieve their garden badge.

### **Building Maintenance**

Perinton and White Brook buildings are closed until February 2 for maintenance. The Perinton Park building metal garage doors are being partially replaced by Alliance Door for just over \$10,000.00. We are currently seeking quotes for the Fellows Road roof. This project is estimated at \$5-6,000.00.

### **Operations**

As mentioned before the Holidays, the Volvo loader was having some issues. Dillon and machine specialist solved the problem. The issue was the idle was set too low in order for the hydraulic lines to run pressure correctly.

Discussions are underway to replace the stone dust paths of the Amphitheatre with cement sidewalks. DPW hopes to accomplish this work early spring before the Summer Concert Series begin.

Last weekend, a wind storm caused several trees to come down. The Fairport Crew Boat House was hit by a large cotton wood causing roof damage. Internal building frame and boats were unharmed. Other tree damage was taken care of by Wednesday afternoon.

The Village Ice Skating Rink has been opened for 27 out of 28 days. Last year we were only open for 54 days. Normally 80-90 days.

Staff attended Bloodborne Pathogen training January 24 at the Public Works building. On January 18, Scott and I attended "Be Green" training on organic turf and landscape maintenance in Troy, NY.

### **Perinton Park Boat House Dock 2013 Inspection Summary (Prepared by Scott Allen)**

The Parks Department completed our final inspection December 27<sup>th</sup> after the canal was drained for the winter months. This concludes the year of monthly inspections that involve measuring the vertical "plum" of the main support posts, hardware and overall integrity of the dock. Measurements have been collected and analyzed since May 2009.

The movement fluctuations that occurred are consistent within the same measurements as the last four years. The posts seem to move in and out of a ½" to 1¼" range from plum. Factors to be considered are: the dock is constructed of wood which goes through a process of contraction, expansion and warping from weather conditions and the filling of the canal where 2-3 feet of the posts are under water 8 months out of the year.

Every spring before the canal is filled, we tighten all hardware and inspect the posts and cement pier more closely, as it is more convenient without the canal filled. Each year we replace decking

boards. The dock is stained and painted every 2-3 years. At this time the dock remains to be in safe and sound condition.

## **DIRECTOR RIESENBERGER'S REPORT**

### **RECREATION PROGRAMS**

#### **RECTRAC**

Winter 2013 registration is currently at \$129,522.35.  
There are 2,611 participants enrolled in 292 programs.  
Winter 2012 registration at this time last year \$116,315.25.

### **FACILITY USAGE**

January totals year to date – 31 reservations for a total of \$4,294.00.

### **PROGRAM REVIEWS**

#### **2013 CENTER STAGE LINE UP**

7/7 Prime Time Funk  
7/14 Bill Welch Band  
7/21 Smugtown Stompers  
Eastside Swingtet  
7/28 Bobby Henry and the Goners  
Inside Out Band  
8/4 Paulsen Baker and Garvey  
8/11 Northside Johnny  
8/18 RPO Marimba Band  
Filigree  
8/25 John Cole Blues Band  
9/8 Perinton Concert Band  
Fairport Fire Department Band

#### **Sponsors**

Season: \$15,000 Wegman's

Event: \$8,400 Total  
Perinton Pizza, LeChase Construction, Waste Management, Fairport Savings Bank, Perinton Hills Shopping Center and Harris Beach

Golf Cart: \$3,600 Total  
Fairport Federal Credit Union, Vision Kia and Hoselton Automall

#### **2013 GAZEBO CONCERT SERIES**

The following groups are tentatively scheduled to appear in this concert series beginning June 6 and concluding August 8: Perinton Concert Band, Genesee Valley Orchestra and Chorus, New Horizons, Army Band, the Swooners, The Johnny Matt Big Band, 8 Days a Week, Hip Replacement and the Fairport Fire Department Band.

#### **2013 OUTDOOR MOVIES**

Outdoor movies at the amphitheater have been selected. On Friday, June 7, "Rise of the Guardians" will be the featured movie. This animated film is an epic adventure that tells the story about a group of heroes, each with extraordinary abilities. On Friday, August 9, we will be showing the mid-90's classic "Little Giants". Rick Moranis and Ed O'Neill star as rival siblings coaching opposing Pop Warner football teams – one team full of the best local players and the other full of the kids that get picked last.

### **FATHER/SON SPORTS NIGHT**

We had 62 participants enjoy an evening of games in the gym, swimming and refreshments. A great time was had by all. Our Father/Daughter Sports Night will be held this year on Friday, March 1.

### **FITNESS**

Our new fitness equipment has been well received. This included two new Precor treadmills along with a Kaiser Total Body Workout bike. We are continually working towards a 100% efficient cardio and weight area, a challenge at this busy time of year. We have added an additional person to our personal training staff. This was due to a demand for weekday training hours for seniors. Jennifer Ortenberg has begun training clients, and this has gone well. Jennifer is also one of our aerobics instructors and is very familiar with the facility.

### **COMMUNITY GARDEN**

All garden beds have been reserved, in addition to the newly added ones. There is still some availability in the Shared Harvest section.

### **OVERNIGHT RESERVATION**

A Girl Scout troop from Marion held a lock-in event here at the PCC on Sunday evening, January 20. This event included swimming and use of the community rooms. This group was referred to us by the Marion Senior Bash Committee. From all accounts, the event went very well.

### **AQUATICS**

The extended Saturday night pool hours are picking up. On January 12 we had 14 people sign in for drop-in between 4:00-8:00pm. On Saturday, January 19 we had 74 people sign-in for drop-in between the same hours. The extra splash parties that were added on Saturday evenings filled up as well. As we continue into winter and aggressively market these programs, we are hoping to continue this trend. Martin Luther King Day still proves to be a popular day in the pool for kids out of school; **2010/288**; **2011/157**; **2012/144**; **2013/272**. Swimming lessons have begun and are going well. The first blended learning lifeguard course was completed on January 18. One student enrolled and passed. The next course begins on January 28 and January 30. Six people are enrolled. Matt Steffen will be teaching the Monday and Wednesday classes.

The Victor swim team has been using one-half of the lap pool for practice sessions on Monday, Wednesday and Friday; and by the end of February, for five to six weeks, they will expand their practices to Monday thru Friday. Discussion is underway to possibly host Victor swim lessons this summer while their pool is under construction.

### **TEEN CENTER**

On Monday, January 21, the Perinton Recreation and Parks bus transported an excited group of veteran and novice paintball players to the NVP Paintball indoor field on University Avenue. This field trip is a favorite that takes place twice a year due to its popularity. This Friday evening, January 25, a very full house is expected for the Unplugged at the Teen Center program. This Unplugged is historically the most well attended one of the school year as the teens celebrate the end of the mid-term week. There are 8 performances scheduled. The themes this month have been a movie and popcorn night, cupcake decorating and a game show night. There is a large group of regulars that attend the program every week with new teens joining all the time. Our rental agreement with 360 Degrees Ministry on Wednesday evenings is going very well. They have just renewed for February and March.

### **55+**

The Retired Men's Club held their installation of officers on Tuesday, January 15. Our additional Open Card Night on Thursday evenings has really become popular. Each week we see a few more people stopping in to play cards and socialize. A seminar "Stay in Home" was presented today. This seminar provided costs associated with home improvements and the estimated increase to home values. The Staff Talent Show will be held on Thursday, January 31. Exercise

classes continue to go well. AARP is getting ready for tax season with appointment reservations filling up. This is a wonderful free service for our seniors.

### **DEPARTMENT NEWS**

A building managers meeting was held on Tuesday, January 22. This meeting included representation from clerical, aquatics, and recreation staff and was very productive. Genesee Valley Recreation and Parks Society held an event on January 16 for members at the Rochester Curling Club in Gates. Josh Dillon and Jeff Nutting attended to learn the sport of curling and research whether or not this program would be a good fit for a partnership with our department.

Chair Chesonis inquired as to whether there are opportunities for the department staff to share time together in a "Team Building" setting.....possibly a swim meet or staff hike? The staff remarked that they have attended various events such as off site meetings and conferences for that purpose. These opportunities have presented a perfect setting for the sharing of ideas to brainstorm in a relaxed, friendly and supportive atmosphere.

### **NEWSLETTER**

The February newsletter was sent to 621 people on January 24. We are now also sending to Town employees to keep them in the loop.

### **MARKETING REPORT** – Enclosed

### **2012 GOALS & RESPONSES**

Commissioner Myers stated that the Department accomplished so much more than the 2012 Goals stated. He commented on how remarkable the staff is and how well they work together for the common good of the Department and ultimately the residents of the Town of Perinton. The Community Garden, new shelter at Egypt Park, newly painted areas and photos in the Community Center are examples of the commitment of the staff to maintain or exceed the standard of excellence for which the Town is known. Director Riesenberger added that the people on staff seem to bring out the best in each other, and the positive feedback from the Board is very encouraging and helps to spark the staff to work to retain the value of the Department in the Town budget.

The Advisory Board completed a vote of support, all in favor of the 2012 Goals & Responses.

### **2013 GOALS**

Following a brief discussion of the 2013 Goals, a recommendation to amend the Executive Summary was made. With the amendment in place, the goals were approved with a vote of support from the Board.

### **AROUND THE TABLE**

The Crescent Trail and Victor Trail Associations will be the recipient of profits from a half marathon sponsored by the trail runners group, # Trails Roc and The North Face store scheduled to take place on Saturday, July 20, 2013.

The next Crescent Trail hike will take place Sunday, February 10 for a 5 mile loop along the canal, over the Lyndon Road Bridge, onto the Crescent Trail to the new pedestrian bridge and then back to the DPW building.

Paul Fioravanti inquired as to whether there might be space for a ball field in the green space created with the repositioning of O'Connor Road. Director Estrich stated that the open space created by the changes would not be adequate to accommodate such a venue.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11pm. The next Advisory Board meeting will be held on **Thursday, February 28, 2013 at 7pm at the Perinton Community Center in Room 211.**

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie C. Kayser  
Secretary