

OBSERVER REPORT

Recreation and Parks Commission - September 28, 7:30 pm LWVM Observer - Kay Rieper

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Derek Norcross. Linda Rice Collins, Karin Ernst, Matthew Martin and Jaime Bloch were present. Rosanna Ferrante and Peter James were absent

The insurance form from the Bike Memorandum of Understanding was received but can't be opened on the computer, so it needs to be re-sent for the town to review.

They are still working on getting water to the Stramski house, the pipe having to go under the sewer outfall and the stream. This needs to be done before winter.

Derek presented Larry Simpson's landscape plan for a section of Chandler Honey which will be voted on after the Commission receives a cost estimate.

Superintendent Peter James is on vacation, but Jaime reported that fields will be aerated, seeded and fertilized before October 15. Potholes in the Stramski parking lot are being addressed, and beach equipment has been removed. There is concern that, because of the road construction, equipment stored on Vine Street may not be accessible when needed.

Assistant Superintendent, Jaime Bloch, reported that in the revolving fund, she would like to be able to separate the program expenses from the non-program expenses. The fall programs are underway as well as activities for school holidays, and several special events for October related to Halloween.

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- Two requests to use Gatchell's and Hobbs for birthday parties were discussed and decided that no formal permits were needed for small birthday parties. Only events with ceremonies and events open to the public need official approval and proof of insurance.
- A request for a memorial bench opened a discussion about the moratorium on benches because of lack of space. This will be taken up at a later meeting hoping for ideas about how to proceed.
- A request for a retirement party for Rabbi Meyer at Devereux Beach May 21, 2023, from 4 to 7 for 150 people was approved.
- A request for a wedding ceremony at Crocker Park September 9, guests to be taken to CYC for the reception by bus was approved as long as the buses don't stay at Crocker Park.