

**HUNTINGTON WOODS PARKS AND RECREATION
ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
TUESDAY, November 17, 2020
7:30 pm Remote Meeting**

Members Present: M. Gustafson, J. Aisen, M. Ceaser, A. Philko, K. Tarnopol, J. Steinhart,

Members Absent: F. Spencer, J. Zieldorff, S. Cohen

- I. Call to Order by Chair, Jeff Aisen, 7:35pm
- II. Approval of Agenda for November 17, 2020 – Motion Alexa, Second Mia, Unanimous approval
- III. Approval of Minutes from October 27, 2020 – Motion Jessica, Second Alexa, Unanimous approval
- IV. Correspondence - None
- V. Public Participation - None
- VI. Items of Business
 - a. Election of Officers – Unanimous approval of officers to start in January 2021
Chairperson – Frank Spencer
Vice Chairperson – Kim Tarnopol
Secretary – Alexa Philko
 - b. 2021 Meeting Dates – Motion Alexa, Second Mia, Unanimous approval
 - c. Advisory Board Mission Statement – Kim recommended that the advisory board develop a mission statement in regard to our representation and support of the recreation needs of the diverse population that resides in Huntington Woods
 - d. Street Art Suggestion – Commissioner Elder suggested adding bringing in an artist to paint the skate bowl at the Val Jones Skate Park to make the park a more welcoming place for the people who use it and discourage graffiti. Kim volunteered to talk to the people who use the park. Jessica suggested a joint project with the Arts and Garden Board.
- VII. Department Update
 - a. Winter Newsletter Information – Registration for Fruit Camp will be delayed due to COVID to better understand what the status will be in the summer. The plan is also to open the pool. Parks and Rec is in a better situation to make a well informed decision about capacity and safety measures for summer programming compared to this year. Truck parade is planned for the winter.
 - b. Mogo – 54 trips to date. More promotional efforts are planned by Mogo to increase utilization.
 - c. Program rates – Increase in rates on pause due to COVID.
 - d. Teen Council – Executive Board is making calendar to plan activities to engage youth in anti-racism and diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts. There is an upcoming mask sale to raise funds for the council. The council is doing a canned drive to donate food to local organizations that help those in need.

- e. Senior holiday lunch from El Asador will be delivered to 50 seniors in December. There will also be Zoom entertainment provided. All costs are covered by city groups.
- f. Pickle ball nets will be left up at 11 Mile and tennis court nets will be left up at Parks and Rec so that residents can utilize them if there are mild winter days.

VIII. Plan of Action for Next Meeting – Mission statement

IX. Board Member Comments

- a. Jessica – Asked if the Board will be involved in the hiring process of the new Parks and Rec Director. Jeff will be representing the Board on a panel that has been put together to choose the new Director. Interviews will start early January. Mary's last day is February 5th.

X. Adjournment, J. Aisen at 8:05pm