



# GENESEO PARK DISTRICT

## *Advisory Committee Minutes*

July 25, 2022

4:00 p.m.

*The mission of the Geneseo Park District is to enhance the quality of life in our community by providing a positive recreational experience for all.*

### **ATTENDING:**

Brent Starkey, Marty Golby, Melissa Olson, Tricia Hull, Andy Thurman, Scott Himmelman, Andrew Sigwalt.

- Absent: Jody Newkirk, William Schehl, Joanne Gernant,

### **FOLLOW UP FROM LAST MEETING:**

- The bidding for the new playground will be completed within the next couple weeks. We expect construction and completion of the project by the end of November.
- The Fall Activity Guide will be available at the end of July and Member registration will begin August 4<sup>th</sup>, and non-member registration will begin two weeks later.
- The Aquatic Center has had a great season this summer. Good weather and good attendance.
  - Policy allows us to close the Aquatic Center if we have less than 25 people during one full hour of business. This policy comes into effect during bad weather and super-hot days.
- Program numbers continue to go up back to pre-Covid participation. Swim team has made a good come back this summer and we have a good number of kids in that program.
- We continue to offer free events to the community. These events include a senior movie once a month at Central Theater, Movies in the Park and Middle School events. This year we offered a night swim for Middle School aged kids and we had over 150 swimmers that evening.
- The Swim Team has two meets planned at this point. We had 19 swimmers attend the Rochelle meet. The swim team will remain a club program until it shows two – three years of consistent growth.

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS:**

- Mrs. Olson commented on the Free Programs offered by the Park District for kids and how well they've been received by the community.
- Mrs. Olson attended the Flick & Float and said there was a good turnout for the event and the weather was great that evening.
- Mr. Golby wanted to compliment the lifeguards for this season. They have been doing a great job and very polite.
- Mr. Golby commented on how often he sees Steve Alexander and that he seems to really like his job with the Park District.
- Mrs. Hull enjoyed the addition to the modified gymnastics program. The Advance Recreational Gymnastics class should help with the gymnast who may not want to do the

competitive gymnastics sections. Also, if possible giving the gymnastics parents a heads up on meet fees and coaches fees a head of the season will help give them an idea if they'll want to travel to meets.

- Mrs. Hull attended the opening for Minions and commented that it was very busy.

### **NEWS FROM STAFF:**

Notes from Mr. Thurman:

- The Park District received their annual reviews from Starguard this year for the outdoor pool. Starguard is the organization that reviews the lifeguards and checks for standards and best practices for our organization. The ratings are based on a 5-Star review. The Aquatic Center received a 5-Star review this summer.
- The Fall Activity Guide will be available at the end of July and registration for Members will begin the first Thursday of August.
- The Winter/Spring guide will begin the planning process in October and will be available in December for the January – March programs.

Notes from Mr. Himmelman:

- The Splash Pad will remain open after the Aquatic Center closes for the summer. Hours will be 9am – 6pm open to the public. It will remain open weather permitting.
- We are planning to paint the indoor pool shell next year during the shutdown.
- The indoor pool thermostat needs to be calibrated. The water has recently been a little chilly.

Notes from Mr. Sigwalt:

- The Park District assisted with the Music Fest activities again this year. We brought our bounce house, inflatables and large yard games to City Park, and we assisted with the Father's Day Parade on Sunday.
- The bounce house and inflatables were also used at the Thrill on the Hill event for the fireworks night at Richmond Hill.
- The Movies in the Park series is going on this summer at the Athletic Field. The June movie (Encanto) brought out around 100 people. The July movie got cancelled due to inclement weather.
- The Flick & Float at the Aquatic Center brought out over 150 participants to see the movie Luca.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

- There being no further business to come before the Committee the meeting was adjourned with a motion by Mr. Starkey and seconded by Mr. Golby at 4:37 p.m.

Approved By:



Andy Thurman, Executive Director  
Geneseo Park District