

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARK COMMISSION
HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM AT 318 LAKEVILLE ROAD ON
TUESDAY, JULY 29, 2025 AT 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT

Robert Gal, Commissioner
Dina Burachio
Marone Guriel
Lee Korn
Bennett Last
Kara Mindel
Mario Ranieri
Allan Lowenkron
Jennifer Weber

ABSENT

Spyro Dimitratos, Deputy
Harriet Balbera
Antoinette Capodanno
Eileen Sarroff, Alternate
Russell Solomon, Alternate

Also Present:

Andrew Kern, Asst Pool Director
Michelle Sorise, Pool Director
Cheryl Rosenthal, Resident 95 Merrivale Road

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Gal at 7:27 pm.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Kara Mindel motioned to accept the minutes of June 2, 2025 as presented, seconded by Dina Burachio, and unanimously approved by those present.

Pool Director, Michelle Sorise and resident, Cheryl Rosenthal, who were both in attendance at the time, were asked to leave the room for a few minutes.

On a motion by Commissioner Gal, seconded by Lee Korn, the Commission moved into Executive Session at 7:28pm to discuss personnel and park member issues. Commissioner Gal reconvened the regular meeting at 7:34pm and since no action had been taken during executive session, there are no minutes.

Commissioner Gal asked the Pool Director and resident to rejoin the meeting.

On a motion by Commissioner Gal, seconded by Marone Guriel, the Commission again moved into Executive Session at 7:38pm to discuss personnel and park member issues. Commissioner Gal reconvened the regular meeting at 7:58pm and since no action had been taken during executive session, there are no minutes. Mrs. Rosenthal left the meeting at the end of executive session.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was nothing to report.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Gal reported that there have been no issues with the staff and the chlorine generator is working very well in maintaining optimal chlorine levels. The delivery of the new shade structures for the tennis and pickleball courts has been delayed. The cabana decking has been very well received. Decking for additional cabanas will be discussed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Sorise asked the Commission to consider whether there is enough in the budget to extend the season to include the weekend of September 6 and 7 from 12pm-5pm. Commissioner Gal will review the budget before committing. The pool will stay open an additional hour until 8pm on July 30 and August 3. Ms. Sorise does not foresee any issue with staffing for these extra hours.

WATER AREOBICS

Dina Burachio reported that the classes continue to be very popular with many new attendees.

FOOD TRUCK AT POOL

The vendor of the Wood Fired Edibles food truck who was at the July 10 food truck night requested the opportunity to return to sell pizza at the park. A discussion ensued. The truck will be on site at the pool from opening until close on Sunday, August 3. The truck will enter the pool area through the emergency gates and set up there so only members can purchase the food.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

Commissioner Gal discussed the possible need for a Park grievance committee to deal with problematic member issues of a repetitive nature. The process would start at the pool level with an incident write-up from the director which would get filed at the Village office. He suggests a 3- person committee whose functions would involve hearing from the directors and member, having access to the incident reports, report on the matter to the Park Commission and make a recommendation to the Board of Trustees for final decision. Kara Mindel motioned to approve the formation of a Park Commission grievance committee made up of Park Commission members Lee Korn, Bennett Last and Jennifer Weber, seconded by Dina Burachio and unanimously approved by those present.

FUTURE EVENTS

The Halloween event will be held on Sunday, October 26 from 1pm-3pm. The ballroom will be requested as a back-up location.

Flag football will be held on Sunday, November 16 from 10am-12 noon. Jennifer Weber will look into scheduling a donut/coffee truck for the event.

Antoinette Capodanno will be asked if she can organize some arts and crafts activities at the pool on Labor Day.

It was suggested for next year to schedule some of the tennis events earlier in the morning to avoid the afternoon heat.

The CourtReserve project for electronic court access is stalled because their sub-contractor, Remote Lock, has not been responsive to the Commissioner's phone calls.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 3 at 7:30pm via Zoom video conferencing.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dianne Morrissey
Park Commission Secretary