

Ardsley Parks & Recreation
June 13, 2023

The June 13th Parks & Recreation meeting began at 5 PM. In attendance were Trish Lacy, Andy DiJusto, Lorraine Kuhn, Alka Shula, Mona Swanson and Dave Whitehead. Minutes from the May 9, 2023 meeting will be posted on the Recreation Commission webpage.

Old Business:

Friday Food Truck Event:

Our Friday Food Truck event was a tremendous success. About 2000 attended. The fireworks were terrific. Thank you to everyone who helped out. We are planning a Back-to-School Food Truck event for September 8th from 5 to 9 PM. There will be 8 food trucks. We are hoping to have Lobster Box participate. We may have McGreavy's this time. We will have Bubble Bus, Balloon Lady, Slides and Gaga Pits. Glow-in-the-Dark giveaways were suggested.

Pride Day:

Pride Day at Pascone Park took place on Saturday June 10th. It was a success and there were 12 cars from Ardsley. Thank you to the Multicultural Diversity & Inclusion Committee and all who helped out.

Men's Softball:

Men's Softball is in its ninth week of play with no real issues, going well.

Seniors:

Seniors are keeping busy this month. They had live music with Ken Lelon and pizza bingo. Their end of the year BBQ is tomorrow. Officer Tony Vacca will be cooking steaks & chicken. The month will end with a movie matinee.

Youth Advocate:

Our Youth Advocate is winding down for the summer. There will be Friday Ice Cream Sundaes at the Community Center during July & August. Homework Helpers and Friday Drop-in return in September.

Facilities Report:

The Community Center continues to be well rented. To date, revenue taken in is over \$20,000. Park & Field rentals have taken in well over \$20,000 in revenue

Upcoming Programs:

Juneteenth:

The Ardsley Multicultural, Diversity and Inclusion Committee will host the Juneteenth Celebration this Saturday June 17th from 2 to 5 PM at Pascone Park. There will be live music and dancers. The freezer in the Snack Bar will be used for storage. Contingency plans are being made to hold the event indoors at the Middle School if there is rain.

Summer Concerts-in-the-Park:

Our first Summer Concert-in-the-Park is set for June 22nd at 6:30 PM. There will be a Concert held in Addyman Square, date to be determined.

Ice Cream Social:

The Ice Cream Social will be on Thursday June 22nd from 6 to 8 PM at the Snack Bar in Pascone Park. "The Saints" Concert will start at 6:30 PM.

Summer Chess:

Summer Chess classes will begin in July.

Summer Zumba:

Summer Zumba will run during the month of July. There are 17 registered for this program.

Summer Basketball:

There are 12 children from Ardsley participating in the Dobbs Ferry Summer Basketball League. Summer Basketball on Wednesdays at Pascone Park for grades 3 to 6 will be starting on June 28th.

Coding with Rhythm Video Game Design:

A new coding & video game design program will be offered this summer at the Community Center. It will run on Wednesdays starting June 28th.

Tennis Tournament:

Our Tennis Tournament will be held on September 9th & 10th. Registration & details are being posted online. Highway will be hanging the Tennis Tournament banner on the Soccer Field fence at Pascone at the end of the month.

New Business:**Movies-in-the-Park:**

We will be showing movies at Pascone Park this summer, starting in July, details to follow.

Parks Plan:

There were questions about the status of the new Master Parks Plan. It was mentioned that minimal budget items in the Plan may be addressed first. It was suggested that lights for the Tennis Court be considered.

Pickleball:

Tennis Court #1 will be painted to create a Pickle Ball Court. It was mentioned that there are Pickle Ball Courts at Rumbrooke Park. It was suggested that we get an Instructor. We will look into other existing Pickle Ball programs for information.

Next Meeting: Tuesday September 12 at 5 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Lorraine Kuhn