

Parks and Lake Commission Special Meeting Minutes

Village of Island Lake
3720 Greenleaf Avenue, Island Lake, IL 60042
Monday, June 3, 2024, 6:30 p.m.



1. **Call to order:** Chairperson Eric Acevedo called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:** Present: Chair Eric Acevedo, Members Dave Sobieski, Trevor Mock, Sarah Wiora-Serio, Trustee Stacey Pyne
3. **Approval May 13, 2024 Minutes:** Dave motioned to approve minutes as written, Sarah seconded, all approved.
4. **Public Comment:** Question: Will the public be allowed to use the WaterGator. Response: No. It is a liability issue. Public Works is still training. The wish is that a trained volunteer crew will be able to use it in the future. Signs look good. The use of goose lasers was discussed; a member of the public volunteered to try them if they are not being used.

Old Business

5. **New kayak launch signage and no fishing sign:** The new kayak launch signage has been installed. A “No fishing” sign needs to be put at the launch. A no swimming sign is needed at Eastway. The signs at each park need to be reviewed for uniformity with upgrades budgeted for each year.
6. **Kids Fishing Derby plan and Carp Fest:** Promotion and marketing need to be started earlier next year and posting on FB needs to continue up to the event. Ideas for future Cops and Bobbers (from Crystal Lake). IDNR is coming tomorrow to shock as it is the only time available on their schedule. It was determined that removing carp prior to Carpfest would not be detrimental to the event as there are plenty of carp in the lake. The electroshock will be posted on Facebook after the electroshock is complete.
7. **Lake Treatment update:** Integrated Lake Environments (formerly Integrated Lakes Management) is working with us on nutrient deactivation grant with T-Mobile. The lake may need to be treated with Cutrine for duckweed on a more frequent basis. Muck eating enzymes are being considered for trial in the channel and back bays. A sediment survey of the channel and bays has been budgeted for and will take place in the fall.
8. **Benches at Converse/Eagle project:** Three benches were ordered for Converse Park. Rowan H. is making benches for Puri Family Park for his Eagle Scout project. The benches need to be cemented in to prevent theft.
9. **Aeration assessment:** Tigris will be reviewing the current use of water movers, aerators and fountains on the lake and making recommendations for potential changes.
10. **Sale of Fern Drive property:** Eric sent a letter to board members recommending that the Fern Drive property at the channel not be sold. The board voted to sell the property; Trustee Pyne was the lone “no” vote.

New Business

- 11. May 15 Clean-up Day:** Scout Troop 176 planned to help.
- 12. Park Plan:** Signs are needed at Puri Family Park and Channel Park; two stone signs like at Hyde Park were budgeted for this year. Alissa is leading the drafting of a five year park plan and that should be a priority this year.
- 13. Public Comment:** A 50HP pontoon 2-stroke being used on the lake. Discussion about lake of personnel to enforce lake violations ensure. A suggestion was made to tag boats at piers with more than 10HP.
- 14. Commissioner Comment:** Eric commented how nice it is to have everything up and running by this time of year. Sarah – beaches being used, excited for Carpfest, need to use the time for education. She noted that people are violating no wake, the signs were moved a bit. She also inquired if there is a possibility of repairing pavers around neighborhood sign. Trevor – will send info on carp shock. There is a lot of compost left, we could put on FP again. Trevor asked about a trophy for Kids Fishing Derby. Holly will try to come through with raffle prizes.
- 15. Adjournment:** Eric motioned, Dave seconded to adjourn. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.