

# PITTSFORD PARKS & RECREATION BOARD

## Minutes

October 10, 2019

**Members Present:** Rick Taylor, Ron Anderson, Greg Riley, Lisa Stein, Ben McCormick, John Reddington

**Also Present:** Jessie Hollenbeck, Recreation Director, five SHS students and one parent

**Absent:** Rachel Baker-August, Pam Cooper-Vince and Kate Munzinger

The meeting opened at 6:30 pm

### **Rick Taylor, Chairman:**

- September minutes were approved.
- Rick described the purpose of our board, for the students, and some past projects we have worked on. Each of the board members introduced themselves.
- Rick reported on his meeting with Supervisor Smith in regards to the new dog park.
- Rick briefly discussed the Erie Park & Preserve.
- Rick questioned if the new YMCA has had any effect on our programs. Jessie stated he has not seen any drop in our enrollment.

### **Recreation Update:**

Recreation Director Jessie Hollenbeck reported on the following:

- Jessie reported on our fall programs and that the staff is finishing up the winter brochure.
- The Food Truck & Music Fest was a success.
- Jessie is looking into scheduling more concerts for next summer's line up.
- The Passport Program is going well. Jessie contacted Jefferson Road School to suggest adding this program to their curriculum.

### **Public Works Update:**

Paul Shenkel, Comm. of Public Works reported on the following:

- The Town of Pittsford's new dog park has opened and it is part of the Monroe County dog park system. Paul stated that this project went very fast. Improvements for Pittsford Little League include: The expansion of one of their fields, improvements to their parking and walkway access. This park connects to the town's trail system.
- The Town Board has accepted the proposed Comprehensive Plan. The town will be partnering with the Village of Pittsford.
- The Copper Beech Tree Park has been completed. Approximately 100 saplings were taken from the tree and are currently growing in a green house.
- The East Ave. sidewalk project continues with a goal of reaching the Brighton town line before winter.
- A pest management plan is in place, to diminish the use of pesticides in the town.
- The Parks Dept. is working on our trail system.

- The ponds at King's Bend Park were re-stocked with fish this year.
- The Alpine Ridge Sub-Division and the Bridle Ridge Farm Development are currently being built.
- The community garden was a success this year and we are looking to expand it next year.
- The town received a grant for our Clean Energy Community. There will be an electric car charging station installed in the Community Ctr. parking lot. We will also be installing a solar panel on the roof of one of the lodges at King's Bend Park. More bicycle racks will be added to various locations in the town.
- A patio is being planned for the Community Ctr.
- Paul presented a power point presentation describing the Erie Canal Park & Preserve. It included:
  - a. The NYS grant we received.
  - b. The trails that are being planned, along with the reconstruction of a historical barn.
  - c. Preservation of the old trolley structures
  - d. Barn placement, utilities and uses for the building once it is a completed.

**Comments:**

- Lisa Stein questioned the King's Bend Park lottery for 2020. Julie Donnelly described the procedures and dates. Lisa also asked if any new lodges will be built in the future. Paul talked about some additional park pavilions.

Ron Anderson made a motion to close the meeting. Rick Taylor seconded the motion, which passed following a unanimous vote. The meeting closed at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Donnelly  
Secretary