

**TOWN OF NORTH CASTLE  
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD ("PRAB")  
Minutes of May 3, 2022 Meeting**

**In Attendance:** Brendan Molloy, Norma Hill, Jeff Scott, Sharon Weiss, Jennifer Clark, Brian Baranaskas, Matt Milim, Matt Trainor

**Absent:** Karl Hinrichs, Lisa Larsen

**Guests:** Kay Anderson, Carol Bidjarano, Nancy Battistelli, Mitzi Weissman, Barbara DiGiacinto

**Minutes:** Minutes of the April 5<sup>th</sup> meeting were accepted and approved, all in favor.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Wampus Brook Park Beautification Donation Discussion:** This was a very lengthy and heated discussion back and forth between members of the Beautification Committee and the PRAB regarding the mushroom's donation and its possible placement in Wampus Brook Park. Superintendent Trainor indicated that Chairman Hinrichs has expressed that he is not in favor of placement in Wampus Brook Park. Superintendent Trainor and Liaison Milim started to receive strong negative input from people on some of the other town organizations such as the Historical Society and the ARB. Liaison Milim felt it was better to prevent the mistake and make sure everyone is on board rather than to just go forward with a decision because we think we made it already. It was decided that the mushrooms will be temporarily placed in the park for everyone to view after Folderol weekend. Bottom line, the PRAB must decide whether or not to put the mushrooms in Wampus Brook Park. The PRAB can go to Town Board if they are not able to make the decision, but Town Board ultimately wants the PRAB to make the decision on whether or not to move forward with the placement of the mushrooms.

**Playground Project:** We are currently working with Corsetti in revising the contract. Next step will be delivery of the equipment and then installation.

**Lombardi Tennis and Basketball Courts Resurfacing:** We are in the process of scheduling the work to be done with the contractor.

**Lombardi Building Takedown / Development:** Town Board and PRAB members did a walk-through of the building. Town Board is thinking that the best long-term solution would be a prefab building. If more classroom space is needed for programming, it's PRAB's responsibility to come up with a proposal other than for prefab. Superintendent Trainor agrees to make a recommendation to Town Board for the addition to the parks garage, to relocate the water system to the side of the garage, and to take down the building. Liaison Milim said the PRAB will need to justify the cost of a new building since it will be extremely expensive. It's important to move the water system now and then we will be in continuing planning for the other stages of the project to move forward with the overall plan.

**Wampus Brook Park Lighting / Electrical Update:** Contracts approved by Town Board with minor agreed upon changes.

**Clove Road Dugouts:** Bid has been awarded. Construction won't affect Kensico Little League games.

**Recreation Survey Discussion:** Keep the survey open for a few more weeks to allow more people to respond. Liaison Milim would like to have a closing date - the start of the Memorial Day weekend holiday was agreed upon.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Hergenhan Roof Replacement:** The flat section of the roof needs to be replaced - Town Board agrees to go out to bid.

**Wampus Brook Park North Bridge Replacement:** Town Board has given us permission to rebid this job - the first bid came in at \$92k.

**Pool Walkthrough:** The best time to do a walk-through is after Nu-Clear Pool Service washes the inside of the pool. There are currently plumbing difficulties. We are working with the plumber and hope to have the water turned on by the end of the week and can schedule the walk-through in the next couple of weeks.

**Next Meeting:** 6/7/22

The meeting adjourned at 8:00PM.