

## **Parks Commission Minutes October 28, 2015**

Parks Commissioners Present:

Jim Willcox  
Bert Hughes  
Steve Guarascio  
Roger Stevens  
Carolyn Cairns  
Randy Rand

Minutes take by Jim Willcox

7:00 PM Meeting starts.

**Playground Water Feature:** When the children's playground was rebuilt, it was initially the intention to also redo the water feature, which based on estimates, had another two to three years of life. Although the sprinklers have been operational, the controls have been subject to vandalism, and there are severe drainage issues that cause flooding in and around the playground. Jim is reaching out to the Nyack Parks Conservancy to see if it is intending to do fundraising around a new water feature for the park. In the interim, the Commission will try and determine if the flooding can be mitigated by clearing all drains and traps, and whether or not there is a containment basin under the current gravel, which replaced the mats under the sprinklers. Jim will reach out to the mayor and the conservancy to see what's so far been discussed.

**Park improvements:** The Commission would like to invite the new park maintenance employee to a meeting to discuss his role and responsibilities.

In addition, the Commission would like to discuss playground maintenance issue with the Village, and whether or not there will be an annual equipment inspection and an evaluation of whether the fill under the equipment needs to be replenished to maintain proper fall protection.

Finally, the Commission would like to discuss ongoing issues with proper bathroom maintenance, including cleanliness and adequate supplies of toilet paper. The issue of a more secure, working water fountain was also discussed.

**Water fountain.** Ongoing issue of the dilapidated water fountain on the upper level of the park was discussed. Bert has someone willing to build a new base.

**Children's playground fence:** Information about pricing and vendor has been relayed to the village administrator.

Marina: With the marina repairs almost completed, the village is opening up discussions of what the public and private businesses would like to see happen in the marina, which should be open for business in 2016. Initial discussions are underway, with more outreach planned.

8:00 Meeting adjourned.