

**Village of Bensenville
Village Board Room
12 South Center Street
Bensenville, Illinois 60106
Counties of DuPage and Cook**

**MINUTES OF THE RECREATION AND
COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE**
May 19, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Wesseler called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

PRESENT: Upon roll call by Deputy Village Clerk, Corey Williamsen, the following Board Members were present:

Chairman Wesseler, President Soto, DeSimone, Jaworska, Carmona, Janowiak, O'Connell

Absent: Village Clerk, Ilsa Rivera-Trujillo

A quorum was present.

Staff Present: V. Benham, J. Caracci, D. DiSanto, T. Finner, F. Kosman, D. Schultz, T. Sloth, A. Thakkar, S. Viger, C. Williamsen

**Approval of
Minutes:**

The March 16, 2015 Special Recreation and Community Building Minutes were presented.

Motion: Chairman Wesseler made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. President Soto seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Information Items: Director of Recreation, Todd Finner, provided an update in regards to the Edge Ice Arena West refrigeration system. Mr. Finner stated the west rink underfloor warming system at the Jefferson Street Edge has been inoperable for a number of years. Mr. Finner stated it is either blocked or frozen and coolant used for heating will not flow. Mr. Finner stated the purpose of the underfloor warming system is to prevent permafrost from forming and subsequently lifting the concrete arena floor.

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Mr. Finner stated the concrete floor itself, encapsulates brine filled coils which are designed to chill the concrete slab and ultimately freeze the flooded surface for purposes of skating.

Mr. Finner stated last August, it was discovered that there is an 9 inch rise in the center of the floor versus the perimeter of the floor. Mr. Finner stated due to time constraints and existing contractual obligations, it was determined that the best course of action at that time was to continue to operate as is until the schedule will allow us to try to correct this condition. Mr. Finner stated while troubleshooting the system in December, it was further discovered that the ammonia-brine heat exchanger needs to be replaced. Mr. Finner stated the heat exchanger takes heat from the compressor and warms the brine filled lines of the underfloor system. Mr. Finner stated the ice will come out on Monday, May 18th so that the Village could operate the new heat exchanger in our first attempt to heat the underfloor system and to establish flow and ultimately bring the slab back to its original level condition. Mr. Finner stated Dupue Mechanical Systems will be installing the new heat exchanger. Mr. Finner stated by providing heat, suction and pressure on the system, Dupue will attempt to restore full functioning capabilities of the underfloor system. Mr. Finner stated if this fails, the Village would resort to thermal imaging in attempt to locate a blockage and then will have to penetrate the floor to correct the existing blockage. Mr. Finner stated the worst case scenario is to allow the system to continue to operate as is with the risk of rupturing the floor and cooling system during the middle of a contract season. Mr. Finner stated this is a shared system and would also affect the operation of East rink if a cooling line rupture occurs. Mr. Finner stated if heat, suction, pressure and thermal imaging all fail then it is recommended that the concrete floor of the West rink is removed so that the underfloor heating system can be repaired or replaced. Mr. Finner stated timing of any such undertaking is critical as it is typically a six month process and comes with an estimated price tag of \$400,000.

Chairman Wesseler asked Village Board members to email Bob Flood to set up a schedule to host Music in the Park.

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Chairman Wesseler asked Village Board members to email Mike Martella to set up a schedule to attend senior lunches as a Village representative.

President Soto asked that more events be promoted on the Village's website and informed to the Village Board.

ADJOURNMENT: Trustee O'Connell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. President Soto seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Wesseler adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Corey Williamsen
Deputy Village Clerk

PASSED AND APPROVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville this 16th day, June 2015