

**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**  
**January 19, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Wesseler called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

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

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

Absent: None

Village Clerk, Ilsa Rivera-Trujillo, was also present.

A quorum was present.

Staff Present: V. Benham, J. Caracci, T. Finner, B. Flood, K. Katz, F. Kosman, J. Lustro, M. Martella, M. Patel, M. Rysavy, S. Viger, C. Williamsen

**Approval of Minutes:** The November 17, 2015 Recreation and Community Building Minutes were presented.

**Motion:** Trustee DeSimone made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee O'Connell seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Addy Pyrotechnics:** Director of Recreation, Todd Finner, presented to the Committee a Resolution authorizing an Agreement with Addy Pyrotechnics Inc. for Liberty Fest 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks Display on Monday, July 4th, 2016 in the Amount of \$47,000.00.

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Mr. Finner stated four Pyrotechnic companies were solicited in November 2015 to provide competitive bidding for Bensenville with a 30 minute Liberty Fest Fireworks Display that is held in Redmond Park on July 4<sup>th</sup> 2016. Mr. Finner stated a request was made to include information including shell counts, size of shells used no greater than 6 inches, and timed durations of the programs from the opening, body and on to the finale. Mr. Finner stated three of the four companies solicited responded with proposals, those being Melrose Pyrotechnics, Johnny Rocketz and Addy Pyrotechnics Inc. Mr. Finner stated Mad Bomber Fireworks did not respond to the request. Mr. Finner stated Addy has provided us with our fireworks display over the last 2 years to rave reviews, and they have also shown growth in the display to continue to help build our Libertyfest to an area beyond the neighboring suburbs. Mr. Finner stated many Bensenville residents also relayed their preference of Addy's unique visuals to the village rec department and the relationship commenced in 2014. Mr. Finner stated since then, the reputation has steadily grown and we have even received interest from local news stations to film our show in 2016. Mr. Finner stated Staff asks to waive the formal bidding process and consider awarding a contract to second lowest bidder for 30 minute show due to positive experience at Village shows for the past two years.

There were no questions from the Committee.

Motion: President Soto made a motion to approve this item for placement on a future Village Board Meeting agenda for action. Trustee Janowiak seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

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**Information**

**Items:** There were no informational items.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Trustee DeSimone made a motion to adjourn the meeting.  
Trustee O'Connell seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Wesseler adjourned the meeting at 6:11 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, February 2016