

**Village of Shorewood Hills
Pool Committee Minutes
January 28, 2008
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The Pool Committee met on Monday, January 28, 2008 at 7:00 pm at the Shorewood Hills Village Hall.

Present: Chris Carbon (Pool Manager), Bob Curry, Judith Klehr, Kathy Killian, Jon Miskowski, Michelle Reynolds, Barb Center and Gregg Plummer (chair)

Excused Absences: Felice Borisy Rudin (Trustee), Paula Hogan

Guests: Karl Frantz, David DeWitt, Jack Pettinger, Patti Jackson, Ben Radloff

Chair Gregg Plummer called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

Roll was called and the meeting was properly noticed.

Committee members approved the revised draft of the minutes from the December 4, 2007 meeting.

The following issues were discussed:

- 1. Continued budget discussion:** During our last meeting, the committee reviewed budget figures showing potential problems with future budgets due to an increase in the debt service. We decided more information was necessary before making a recommendation. During this meeting, Shorewood Hills Village Administrator, Karl Frantz, presented two spreadsheets showing scenarios for the budget and how the debt service affects the fund balance. Karl's spreadsheets showed the actual current fund balance is higher than what was used in previous calculations. This difference was enough to satisfy most committee member's concerns regarding the effects of the debt service on future budgets. We also learned that the interest from the fund balance is going to the pool and the money is invested in the local government investment pool.

The committee discussed ways we could increase revenue by raising membership fees, recruiting more members and charging additional fees for some or all of the pool programs. The committee also discussed ways we could decrease expenses. A possible solution recommended by Kathy Killian was to try to get projected expenses for the concession stands equal to or less than the projected income.

Chris Carbon presented a revised budget based on the updated data. Barb Center motioned to accept Chris's proposed budget, which included a 3% raise in membership rates. Bob Curry seconded the motion and it failed with a vote of 4 against and 3 in favor. Michelle Reynolds motioned to recommend that the Village Board approve the proposed

budget with a 2% increase in membership rates. Jon Miskowski seconded the motion and it was approved by a vote of 5 in favor and 2 members, Kathy Killian and Judith Klehr, voted against the motion. Kathy Killian expressed that it was a mistake to raise rates without addressing planned deficits.

An attendee raised an issue about the negative impact on the Village staff by a previous decision to change the membership fee due date from April 15th to May 1st. After a short discussion, Michelle Reynolds motioned to restore the due date for membership fees to April 15th. Jon Miskowski seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

- 2. Discussion of hosting the All-City Swim Meet in 2009 and/or 2012:** Michelle Reynolds, who sits on the All-City Pool Committee, reported that Hawks Landing is not sure if they can host the 2009 All-City Swim Meet because of nearby construction and a shortage of swim team families to organize and manage the event. Shorewood Hills is planning to host the event in 2012. Hawks Landing would like to swap dates with Shorewood Hills and possibly co-host the meet in 2012 if they don't have the resources to manage the event by then. The potential revenue for hosting the All-City Swim Meet is estimated between \$20,000 and \$50,000. Michelle Reynolds also explained that several families with prior All-City meet experience will be available to help in 2009, but might not in 2012. Bob Curry motioned that we recommend to the Village board that Shorewood Hills swap dates with Hawks Landing for hosting the All-City Swim Meet. Shorewood Hills would then host the meet in 2009. Barb Center seconded the motion and it passed with 6 in favor and 1 abstention.
- 3. Discussion with representative of the Badger Aquatic Club regarding the possibility of extending the pool season:** Jack Pettinger of the Badger Aquatics Club presented an idea for extending the pool season to mid or late September. BAC would pay the costs for heat and chemicals. We talked about staffing as a major logistical issue that must be addressed. BAC suggested that many of their coaches, who are all life guards, would be available to augment our staff. It was agreed that Jack Pettinger and Chris Carbon will meet and discuss plans for extending the pool season through September. They will come up with hours and financial proposals. There was also some discussion of constructing a removable bubble over the pool to make it a year-round facility. We agreed to continue this discussion during our next meeting.

Next meeting: Gregg Plummer will be responsible for setting the next meeting date and time. We decided to try to schedule the next meeting around the end of March.

The meeting adjourned at 10:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Gregg Plummer, Chair, Shorewood Hills Pool Committee
February 7, 2008