

Nyack Parks Meeting: 12/7/22

Members in attendance:

Jim Willcox  
Carolyn Cairns  
Andrea DeVitto  
Bert Hughs

Meeting started at 7pm via TEAMS call.

**Points of Discussion:**

The Village will be holding a Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> workshop to discuss:

- 1 – Removal of the sandbox from the playground.
- 2 – Remove the baseball field and regrade that area for more open space/grass.

1 - Unanimously, everyone agreed to the sandbox should be removed when they resurface the playground, mainly for health/safety issues. The sandbox is mainly untended and has debris, both organic (feces, insects) and inorganic. The commission would like to village to consider another pirate ship structure, which is currently in the sandbox area, as it has proven to be popular with younger kids.

2 – Play structures and house in the children’s playground: can they be repaired, or need to be replaced? At what cost? If not a danger, can the village leave them there until there’s a replacement?

3 - Baseball Field. Discussion about removing the backstop and baseball field and restoring to grass. The commission suggest cleaning it up this season to see how much it’s really used before eliminating it, especially since the McCallan Field near the hospital is now gone. Once removed, it will likely not be replaced. Will involve Little League and girls’ softball coaches in the discussion.

4 – Lights in the parking lot – still pending a contractor to put them up? It will probably be delayed till spring. Will the village need to ask for an extension on the grant?

5 – Winter storage for kayaks was confirmed by the Village. Will generate more revenue. Looking to add another rack for 2023.