

ORDINANCE NO. 86-23

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING VILLAGE
RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, the Village of Chatham is very fortunate to have a number of active, capable, and dedicated civic service clubs and organizations which contribute greatly to the establishment and maintenance of recreation grounds and facilities in the Village;

WHEREAS, in addition to the public parks within the Village, the school playgrounds, library, community center, and other recreation and leisure facilities all constitute community assets which can best be utilized if there is coordination of their orderly development and utilization planned to achieve maximum availability to, and use by, people of the Village of all ages, having various interests and needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF CHATHAM, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS as follows:

Section 1. TITLE.

This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the Recreation Advisory Board Ordinance for the Village of Chatham.

Section 2. PURPOSE.

The purpose of the Recreation Advisory Board shall be to provide the planning, evaluation, implementation and administration required to develop staff and operate recreational programs and facilities for the Village of Chatham.

Section 3. ORGANIZATION.

The Recreational Advisory Board, hereinafter referred to as the Board, shall consist of seven members, to be appointed by the Village Board of Trustees. The Board shall serve without compensation.

The term of office of each Board member shall be two years or until successors are appointed, except that the members of the Board first appointed shall be appointed for such terms that the terms of three specific members shall expire after the first year and the terms of four specific members shall expire after the second year. If a vacancy occurs in the office of any Board member, the Village Board shall, upon recommendation of the Board, appoint a successor to serve for the unexpired term.

A Chairman and a Recording Secretary shall be elected by the Board annually. The Chairman shall be the presiding officer using Robert's Rules of Order as a reference and guide.

The Recording Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings. Copies of the minutes shall be distributed to all Board members and the Village Board of Trustees.

The Board shall meet on a regular basis, one per month, or more frequently as situations dictate and as agreed to by a majority of the members, or when requested by the Chairman.

Direct contact and communication shall be made with the Village Board through the President or the Trustee designated by the President.

The Chairman of the Board or his designee shall attend meetings of the Village Board of Trustees when requested.

Section 4. RESPONSIBILITIES.

The Board will: Initiate plans for the development of recreational programs and facilities; evaluate costs of the same with respect to funds appropriated; make recommendations to the Village Board including substantiating data; and implement and administrate such programs as approved by the Village Board.

The Board shall work with the President or designated Trustee or Trustees to present their proposals to the Village Board.

Section 5. AUTHORITY.

This Board is established for planning, evaluation and administration purposes only. It shall not be construed as a separate corporate entity with powers to establish laws, or levy taxes. The Board cannot authorize expenditure of Village funds without prior approval of the President and Board of Trustees. Any and all agreements or contracts involving Village funds must bear the signature of the Village President. After approval has been granted by the Village Board of Trustees and contracts have been properly approved and signed by the Village President, the Board shall supervise specific and individual projects to assure completion in accordance with the approval plans.

Section 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval, and the President and Board of Trustees shall appoint the initial seven (7) members of the Board not later than December 1, 1986.

PASSED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Chatham, Sangamon County, Illinois this ____ day of _____, 1986.

AYE _____

NAY _____

Village Clerk of the
Village of Chatham, Illinois

APPROVED by the President of the Village of Chatham, Illinois this ____ day of _____, 1986.

President of the
Village of Chatham, Illinois

ATTEST:

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RE: (1) Recreation Advisory Board Ordinance;
(2) AT&T acknowledgement letter;
(3) Illinois EPA response to lake dredging
inquiries

Dear Don:

In line with direction of the Village Board and the presentation by the informal recreation committee, I enclose an Ordinance which would formally establish a Recreation Advisory Board. Among the provisions which the Trustees should especially consider before adopting or directing revision to the proposed Ordinance are that the Advisory Board is to consist of seven members serving two year terms, three going off in one year and four in the alternate year. The Advisory Board itself will select its own Chairman and Recording Secretary annually (rather than those officers being appointed by the Village Board of Trustees or the President), and the Advisory Board Chairman and Recording Secretary are to be reelected annually rather than having their appointment run for two years.

The Advisory Board is only to plan, evaluate, and administer; it cannot authorize any expenditures without prior approval of the President and Board of Trustees; and likewise, any agreements or contracts involving Village funds would have to be signed by the Village President rather than the Chairman of the Advisory Board.

As drafted, the Ordinance would be in effect immediately after passage and approval, with the initial seven member Board to be appointed by December 1, 1986.

October 28, 1986

I enclose a copy of the letter received from E.U. Landrum acknowledging our formal written complaint regarding various aspects of the AT&T computer.

Finally, I enclose also a copy of the Illinois EPA's response to the questions submitted regarding the City of Springfield's proposed lake dredging project and in particular, the depositing of sediments in the holding ponds. Basically, their conclusion is the project as planned will not create a hazard to the environment or public health from their perspective.

Very truly yours,

C. Clark Germann

CCG:jc

Enclosures