

September 12, 2019 (Parks and Recreation Committee)

Denmark Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting
Thursday, September 12, 2019
4:30 pm, Denmark Village Hall

Call to Order

Committee Chairman Hargarten called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Roll Call

Present: Susan Selner, Leah Goral, Paul Hargarten

Order of business

Review Ordinance § 315-21. Pools and spas for possible recommendation of modification to the village board.

Discussion: Committee members reviewed multiple ordinances from surrounding municipalities. The review made evident that the Village of Denmark ordinance is too vague and requires the following clarifications.

- Part § 315-21(D)(1) has no safety standard for covers.
- Part § 315-21(J) misrepresents portable pools with draining and covering if unattended.
- Part § 315-21(D) does not address pools with walls 48" or higher.
- Part § 315-21(A) portable pools (18 inches or less) should also be exempt from permitting. Pools greater than 18 inches should require permitting (permanent and temporary installations)

Furthermore, the committee recommends the following revisions / additions to Ordinance § 315-21:

- Add to Part § 315-21(D)(1) "Pools, hot tubs and Spas" and "covers required to meet safety standard ASTM F1346-91".
- Omit Part § 315-21(J) portable pools.
- Add Part § 315-21(D)(3) portable pools (18 inches or less) do not require a fence.
- Add Part § 315-21(D)(4) pools with walls 48" or higher do not require a fence. Reference Village of Kimberly ordinance § 525-97(G)(2)
- Add to Part § 315-21(A) portable pools (18 inches or less) are exempt from permitting. Pools of permanent or temporary installation require permitting.

The committee also believes other revisions /additions should be considered but not limited to the following:

- Drainage of pools
- Lighting of pools
- Noise consideration with use of pools

The committee allowed the participation of village citizen Doug Morgan in its discussion. Mr. Morgan's first-hand experience of attempting to meet the current requirements of Ordinance § 315-21 provided valuable insight for recommending revisions / additions to this ordinance.

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The committee thanks Mr. Morgan for his participation. The committee also apologizes to Mr. Morgan for the hardship the Village caused due to the lack of clear rules in this ordinance.

Adjourn

Selner/Goral moved to adjourn at 5:58 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Paul Hergarten, Village Trustee