

Recreation Commission
Wednesday, June 19, 2013
7:00pm

A meeting of the Recreation Commission was held Wednesday, June 19, 2013 at the Youth Center located on Pike Street. The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm. The following were in attendance:

John Faggione, Director	Debbie Cunningham
Tom Hoppey, Chairman	Noleen Casey-Tomasi
Luann McCarthy, Vice-Chair	Dawn Jones
Rashaad, Escamilla, Youth Member	Bronson Krupunich, Youth Member

Absent: Mike Latini, Erika Polanis

A motion to approve the minutes and report from May was made by Luann and seconded by Debbie. All those in favor:

Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Absent: 2

Public Comment: None

New Business

West End Beach is scheduled to open June 21st if river conditions allow it. The beach will then be open 11-7 daily. The beach was scheduled to open June 14th but was delayed due to poor river conditions. The sand was removed before flooding.

The Skate Park is open weekly from 12pm-4pm and weekends from 12pm-6pm. The Youth Center will be open 11am-3pm the week of June 24th through June 28th.

The Summer Program will start July 1st and will run through August 9th 9am-4pm. Soccer Camp, with Taylor Hartey, will be held the week of June 24th through June 28th and the week of July 8th through July 12th from 9am-1pm. 30 kids have signed up for each week. High school volunteers will be assisting Taylor during the camp.

John reviewed the staff to be hired for the Summer Program. Jordan Drew has resigned and will be replaced by John Bright. Shannon Leshar was recommended for the Beach Attendant position. Courtney Dorrattie was recommended for the Skate park position. Ashley Jackson was recommended for the Tennis Assistant position, and Luke Reed was recommended to be a substitute lifeguard. A motion to approve the recommendations and accept Jordan Drew's resignation was made by Luann and seconded by Debbie. All those in favor:

Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Absent: 2

The R/C World Depot is making great progress at Riverside Park. They have requested to use the track every weekend and have sent John a schedule of events as well. All advertising for their events will be done through them. Insurance has been provided. A motion to approve the requests to use the facility was made by Dawn and seconded by Debbie. All those in favor:

Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Absent: 2

Planned Parenthood has requested use of the building for their Summer Youth Leadership Academy on August 1st, 5th, and 7th from 11am-3pm. A motion to approve the use of the building was made by Dawn and seconded by Debbie. All those in favor:

Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Absent: 2

DARE has requested the Port Jervis Recreation Department be a sponsor for the DARE program. A motion to approve a \$50 donation to the DARE program was made by Debbie and seconded by Luann. All those in favor:

Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Absent: 2

Riverside Park is getting a lot of use from organizations and personal parties. The Skate Park is getting better use of new location. A free skate contest will be held June 29th at no cost to the city.

The adult softball league is doing well.

Old Business

The Youth Center continues to do well. June has been a bit slower due to the warmer weather.

Teen Night had their last dance and event for the year on May 31st. 65 kids attended and had a great time. Teen Night will resume in September.

Dawn asked about the status of the long boarding trials. John said that they went very well and was worth it. The trials are done to research how to set up for the actual event which is scheduled for August 31st.

John is working with the school district to have students bussed to the Youth Center after the Summer Reading Program. Recreation will be a co-sponsor of the reading program. A discussion followed regarding a few bussing concerns and John will contact the school and bus garage for clarification.

The Fitness Loop is open.

John is going to post a thank you to the sponsors of the race on Tri 23 TV and Facebook. Guys Night Out will be held August 21st at the Erie and all proceeds will go to the Recreation Department.

Youth Report: Rashaad handed out a packet of fundraising ideas and reviewed them with the Commission. John is going to look into the legality of raffles. John would like to consider having one of these events before the end of the summer.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 was made by Dawn and seconded by Luann. All those in favor:

Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Absent: 2

