

Recreation Commission
Wednesday, April 19, 2017
7:00pm

A meeting of the Recreation Commission was held Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 7:00pm 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
Tom Hoppey, Chairman
Dawn Jones, Vice-Chair
Gina Fitzpatrick, Liaison

Debbie Cunningham
Brandy Figueroa
Amanda Sexton, Youth Member

Absent: Erika Ropke Polanis, Mike Latini, Noleen Casey-Tomasi, Harry Tomasi Youth Member

Public Comment: None

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

Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Absent: 3

New Business

John is concerned about the sign ups for the casino trip scheduled for April 22nd. There are still seats available. Spread the word.

The Arbor Day Ceremony is scheduled for April 29th on River Rd along the walking path. Three trees will be planted. John needs representation from the Recreation Commission because he will not be able to attend. Gina and Noleen will be there. John will send a reminder email.

Mainly Marathons will be holding their 5K race at Riverside Park on May 4th. They will arrive for set up on May 3rd and will stay at the park. They have provided the proper insurance.

John will need Commission volunteers for the Delaware River Run on May 7th. They have devised a new system of giving out medals to move things along quickly. John showed off the t-shirt display and logos.

There will be a Sportsman's Expo at Riverside Park on May 20th. The Tourism Board is expecting thousands of people. John asked if Rec Commission members would be interested in or be available to set up a tent for the Recreation Department.

John has arranged and completed a few interviews for openings this summer. He hopes to have recommendations by May 8th. The Summer Flyer is being created. John is thinking about planning different tournaments this summer to attract more kids. Dawn asked if the playground equipment at Farnum Park could be painted. John is going to check with Wayne to see if it is necessary.

John reviewed the Summer Concert Series. Carl Richards will play on July 13th. Rich Wilson will play on July 20th. The Parting Glass will play on August 2nd, and DJ G will be doing an 80's in the Park on August 17th.

Summer Field Trips are set. John is waiting on Taylor Harty to set the dates for Soccer Camp.

A fire at Point Peter has damaged some of the trails. A few kids are responsible and have stepped forward and are assisting volunteers in the cleanup. The fire departments did a great job on containing and extinguishing the fire.

The Outdoor Club has bought new signs with trail rules to post throughout the trails. This club is very active and meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Youth Center. There are new, updated trail maps that are available.

Parks are open for the season. Nets are up and tables are out. West End Beach has been affected by some high waters. Please be patient on its' summer preparation. Church Street is open daily. Church Street sidewalks are done. Veteran's Park is being cleaned up and is improving.

Old Business

The Capital Note has been approved and John can begin purchasing. John gave the list of items that he would like to purchase.

The UTV has been ordered and is expected to arrive before the race.

Clean Up went well. More than 40 people attended and got a jump start on beautifying some of the city's parks.

The Candy Dash went very well on April 15th. There are pictures on Facebook. Dr. Doyle donated 12 baskets for this event.

John gave the Recreation Room and Teen Night attendance report.

Youth Report: None

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm was made by Dawn and seconded by Debbie. All those in favor:

Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Absent: 3

**NEXT MEETING:
May 18, 2017
7:00pm**

