

Recreation Commission
Wednesday, June 21, 2017
7:00pm

A meeting of the Recreation Commission was held Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at the Youth Center located on Pike Street. The meeting was called to order at 7:25pm. The following were in attendance:

John Faggione, Director	Brandy Figueroa
Tom Hoppey, Chairman	Debbie Cunningham
Dawn Jones, Vice-Chair	Noleen Casey-Tomasi
Gina Fitzpatrick, Liaison	Erika Ropke Polanis
Harry Tomasi, Youth Member	

Absent: Mike Latini, Amanda Sexton, Youth Member

A motion to approve the minutes and report form May was made by Dawn and seconded by Erika. All those in favor:

Aye: 6 Nay: 0 Absent: 1

Public Comment: None

New Business

John recommended Troy Zanger and Grace Schock for the track instructor positions and Anja Loughman as the beach attendant. A motion to approve the recommendations was made by Debbie and seconded by Brandy. All those in favor:

Aye: 6 Nay: 0 Absent: 1

The Summer Program is all set to begin on June 26th 9am-3:30pm. The program will run for 7 weeks and end on August 11th. Flyers have been emailed to all of the Commission members.

The Youth Center will follow the same schedule as the parks. There will be a free yoga class at the Youth Center on Wednesdays at 1pm. Olivia Haung is the volunteer instructor. She has been through the volunteer clearance process. A new event has been added to the summer program this year. Each Friday will be Beach Party Friday. John has collaborated with the Dial A Bus to transport kids to and from the playgrounds to the beach on Friday afternoons. A supervisor from each park will attend with the kids from their park.

The beach opened on June 16th without any issues. It was an overcast day so attendance was quiet that day. Beach will be open Monday, Thursday, and Friday 12pm-6pm and on weekends 11am-6pm. Beach will be closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The beach WILL be open on July 4th. The beach schedule is posted at the beach.

John reviewed the schedules for the outdoor movies in the park, concerts at Farnum, and concerts at Riverside Park.

There will be three trail runs hosted by the Thirsty Goat.

There will be a bike race at Point Peter this summer called the Point Peter Pounder. This race is the last leg of a series of races. It is scheduled for July 9th.

John has been contacted by a councilman to research getting a handicap accessible swing for the playground at Church St. John is going to look into it and share the information.

John has received quotes from Kowal Paving to seal the basketball courts at West End Beach, Riverside Park, and Farnum Park. Erika suggested that he see if this is a job that the city can do in house.

The Carnival, sponsored by the Tourism Board, is set for July 6th- July 9th at Riverside Park. Set up for this event will July 4th and July 5th.

The 2018 Youth Bureau application is due by 6/30.

Dinner Along the Delaware is scheduled for July 3rd 6-8:30pm. Close to 20 different eateries will be there. Fireworks will follow.

Amanda Sexton is graduating high school and we will need a replacement for her as Youth Member. John would like an incoming sophomore if possible. Gina suggested Logan Fitzpatrick.

Old Business

The Outdoor Expo on May 20th had a great turnout. They have expressed an interest in coming back next year. The NRA covered the costs. They came to a Common Council meeting and were very complimentary of the city and especially the DPW.

John gave an update for the Rec. Room and the events offered during the summer program at the Youth Center.

Youth Report – NONE

There will not be a July meeting.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm was made by Noleen and seconded by Debbie. All those in favor:

Aye: 6 Nay: 0 Absent: 1

NEXT MEETING:

**Wednesday, August 16th
7:00pm**