

Recreation Commission
Wednesday, June 19, 2019
7:00pm

A meeting of the Recreation Commission was held Wednesday, June 19, 2019 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	Mike Latini
Dawn Jones, Vice Chair	Harry Tomasi, Youth Member
Gina Fitzpatrick, Liaison	

Absent: Erika Ropke Polanis, Brandy Figueroa, Noleen Casey Tomasi, Logan Fitzpatrick, Youth Member

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

Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Absent: 3

Public Comment: None

New Business

John reviewed the list of returning and new employees for the summer season. A motion to approve the list of employees was made by Dawn and seconded by Debbie. All those in favor:

Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Absent: 3

John has researched Code of Conducts that are used throughout the country to get some ideas to create a Code of Conduct for our area. John would like to meet with the PD to see what can be done if a Code of conduct is not followed. It may have to be council approved.

The stage is closed at Farnum. John is doing daily park checks. John discussed the recent social media post of garbage at Church Street.

Dinner Along the Delaware is scheduled for July 3rd. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children. Children under 5 are free. The event is 6:00-8:30. 500 tickets are available and can be purchased at the Rec Department or City Hall. Fireworks will be at 9:15.

TSYSS has dissolved. UK Forward has replaced it. Flyers have gone to the schools to advertise for the new program.

The Youth Bureau application is due July 12th. John will keep everyone updated.

Tim Simmons and members of the PJFD helped set up West End Beach on June 18th. A thank you has been sent to them. The Health Department has been to the beach and it has passed inspection. Rules and hours have been posted.

John discussed more signage for the pump track.

The Summer Program is in need of two track instructors to start on July 2nd.

The Rec Department did not sponsor a Triathlon in 2018. It was an expensive event to run in 2016 and 2017 and John is not sure that it should continue if it costs the department money. He would like to postpone to see if it can be reinvented to be more of a success. A motion to suspend the triathlon was made by Mike and seconded by Debbie. All those in favor:

Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Absent: 3

The Rec Department would like to partner with Shop Rite to offer a 5K/Color Run in the fall. ShopRite would like to raise money for the veterans. The event would be held at the ASK/HS campus.

The Rec Department is coordinating with the PJFD to create a Polar Plunge event in the winter of 2019. John will be having a meeting in July and will have more information about this event at August's meeting.

Harry Tomasi's term expires this month as he graduates and will ne attending college in the fall. Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication to the Commission.

A motion to appoint Katie Duryea as the New Youth Member to replace Harry Tomasi was made Debbie and seconded by Mike. All those in favor:

Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Absent: 3

Old Business

The Little Chefs program and Jr. Picasso art program finished up. Both went very well. Little Chefs will take place over the summer and the more involved program will resume in the fall.

The Spring Soccer program has finished up. It was impacted by the rain.

John gave the Youth Center update. Our current attendance is 2,304 participants. Teen Night does not meet in the summer and will resume September.

The Youth Center will be closed July 4th and 5th.

Mets Trip will be July 25th and the 9/11 Memorial and Museum Trip will be August 13th.

Youth Report – Harry reviewed the end of the year activities at school. John mentioned that Harry was awarded the Senior MVP for Varsity Track.

John reminded the Commission that there will not be a meeting in July,

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

Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Absent: 3

**NEXT MEETING:
Tuesday, August 20, 2019
6:00pm**