

April 10, 2014 Playground and Recreation Board minutes

Recreation Board Members Present: Tess Burke, Maribeth Manigold, John Levy, Steve Kuhn, Rick Leese, Kevin Quick, Jeane Schafer (Anna Johnson, Riordan Pool Manager, Mark Astle, Director of Recreation)

Others attending the meeting: Commissioner Aussem, Tami Huftel, Bob Shull,
Guests: Jean Domaleski and Ed Kapleman from The Bike Shop

Recreation Board Members Absent: Phil McNally, Eldon Leemhuis

Guests discussed Ride of Silence to honor those injured or killed by automobiles. They asked the board for support. They were directed to arrange the ride with the police department and to give Mark information regarding the ride in time for him to include it in his summer brochure.

1. Steve moved to approve the March minutes. John second. Motion passed
2. Steve moved to accept the March Recreation financial report. Tess second. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.
3. Steve moved to accept the March pool financial report. Tess second. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.
4. Pool Manager's report:
 - a. Opening day will be June 1 with Free Admission
 - b. Business after hours scheduled for June 26.
 - c. August 5 open for National Night Out.
 - d. Dean's concrete working on pool repairs in pool, on deck, around baby pool.
 - e. Presented estimate from Streator Decorators for painting the outside of pool building, and sandblasting and painting the pool and the baby pool. The board discussed the work. Steve moved to accept the paint and sandblasting bid. John Second. Roll Call: All AYES. Motion passed.
 - f. Anne requested a raise for herself and Jim.
5. Commissioner's report – Pillars in Fox River Park were removed.
6. Director's Report:
 - a. Mark reported that Adult basketball concluded its tournament on March 30th.
 - b. Mark reported that he had received enough applications and would be interviewing the following week.
 - c. Mark reported that his programs were approximately half completed. He expected to meet his April 21 deadline.
 - d. Mark reported on the preseason Adult Softball meeting. Rosters were available April 1 and sign-up deadlines would be May 2 with registration Wed. May 7.
7. Old Business: none

8. Long-Range Planning and Board goals
 - a. Lincoln-Douglas Complex –
 - i. Whitney Field sign installed. Commissioner Aussem will contribute hot dogs for the dedication and will coordinate the event with OBB. Dedication date discussion tabled.
 - ii. Fencing begun at Whitney field.
 - b. Bike Paths – being lined May 12
 - c. Future Parks – discussed Heritage Harbour
 - d. Construction in Progress and Long-Range Planning – none.
9. Committee Reports
 - a. By-laws – (Maribeth) discussed possibility of adding a by-law regarding the amount of time guests are allowed to speak.
 - b. Finance – (Rick) Mark informed the board that he had been instructed by Shelly and Commissioner Eichelkraut to show the loan payback as a part of the Rec budget.
 - c. Parks – Eldon – none
 - d. Programs – Phil –
 - i. The board discussed possible cement work at Varland Park.
 - ii. The board will be paying for a safety light to be installed at the girls fast pitch fields.
 - e. Pool -- – None
10. New Business – The board discussed possible pay raises for recreation and pool workers. Mark was asked to send pay rates to the board members.
11. Meeting adjourned.