

February 11, 2016 Playground and Recreation Board minutes regular meeting

Recreation Board Members Present: Phil McNally, Maribeth Manigold, Randy Bretag, John Levy, Kevin Quick, (Mark Astle, Director of Recreation)

Others attending the meeting: Tami Huftel

Guest: none

Recreation Board Members Absent: Jay Aicher, Austin Monroe, Steve Kuhn

1. John moved to approve January meeting minutes. Kevin second. Motion passed.
2. Maribeth moved and John second to accept January Recreation Financial Report. Roll Call: All AYES. Motion passed.
3. Maribeth moved to accept January Pool Financial Reports. John second. Roll Call: All AYES. Motion passed.
4. Pool Manager's report – Mark reported the Atlee Stalker declined the pool manager position. The board discussed posting the position and instructed Mark to advertise the position with a starting salary of \$8000.
5. Commissioner's report: None.
6. Director's Report:
 - a. Mark reported that Marquette was cooperative in allowing the adult basketball league to use Bader Gym for the month of February. There had been no incidents of note.
 - b. Mark outlined the preparations timeline for summer recreation and adult softball preparations.
7. Old Business: Phil asked the Rec board to continue to consider names of those who might be interested in serving on the board.
8. Long-Range Planning and Board goals
 - a. Construction in Progress: OGFA asked that the new field under construction be fenced somehow to keep people off of it in the spring.
 - b. Park Inspections – none
 - c. Park Improvements – none
 - d. Long range plan review – Tami discussed the Rec center meetings and stressed that it was now up to the consultants to come back with a proposal.
 - e. Bike paths – Tami reported that City Council will approve putting the bike paths out for bids in March.
 - f. New subdivisions/city acquisitions – none
9. Committee Reports
 - a. By-laws – (Maribeth)
 - i. The board discussed language developed by Maribeth and Steve. Action was tabled until the next board meeting.
 - ii. The board examined the language regarding elections. Nominations will be taken for the offices in March and the election will be held in April.
 - b. Finance – (Maribeth, John) None.

- c. Parks – (Kevin, Randy):
 - i. Tami presented several plans to improve parking at Peck Park.
 - ii. The board discussed installing some sort of fencing around the cul-du-sac as a safety measure to prevent children crossing through traffic to reach the concession stand.
 - iii. It was noted that the walking path around Whitney Field was nearing completion.
 - d. Programs – Phil –
 - i. Phil reported on the meeting between the youth baseball leagues and the Playground and Recreation Board.
 - 1. All leagues have an AED
 - 2. There is no standard language regarding weather.
 - ii. The board discussed weather safety signage to put up at the parks. It was decided to use the NOAA weather sign.
 - iii. The board discussed possible improvements to the west of the North Side Little League facility.
 - iv. The board discussed the possibility of adding more fence to Whitney at the cost of \$13,000.
 - e. Pool -- none.
10. New Business – None
11. Meeting adjourned.