

March 12, 2015 Playground and Recreation Board minutes

Recreation Board Members Present: Eldon Leemhuis, John Levy, Kevin Quick, Steve Kuhn  
(Mark Astle, Director of Recreation)

Others attending the meeting: Tami Huftel

Guest: Bob Rick

Recreation Board Members Absent: Maribeth Manigold, Jeane Schafer, Randy Bretag, Phil McNally, Tess Burke

1. Could not approve February meeting minutes: No quorum.
2. Could not approve February Recreation Financial Report: No quorum.
3. Could not approve February Pool Financial Report: No quorum.
4. Pool Manager's report – (not required to attend October through April) -- none
5. Commissioner's report – None
6. Director's Report:
  - a. Mark reported on the upcoming championship weekend. of adult basketball
  - b. Winter Rec dance lessons were held Feb. 15 at Bader from 7 to 9. Approximately forty people attended.
  - c. Mark reported that he has begun Summer Rec planning. The want ad has been placed, and he has begun contacting the coaches of the various programs.
7. Old Business: None
8. Long-Range Planning and Board goals
  - a. Construction in Progress -- none
  - b. Park Inspections -- none
  - c. Park Improvements – Kevin offered to inspect Varland to see if South Side League has complied with Rec Board requests. The board discussed OHS' use of Whitney Field and questioned what Ottawa Recreation gets in return for the use of Whitney and who pays for maintenance?
  - d. Long range plan review –none
  - e. Bike paths – none
9. New subdivisions/city acquisitions – none
10. Committee Reports
  - a. By-laws – (Maribeth) none
  - b. Finance – (Maribeth, John) None
  - c. Parks – (Eldon) Eldon presented the idea of turning the tennis court area at Thornton Park into a bicycle safety course. The board discussed a variety of ideas regarding Thornton improvements.
  - d. Programs – Phil – Unable to approve maintenance money for OGFA
  - e. Pool – none
11. New Business – none.
12. Meeting adjourned.