

February 14, 2013 Playground and Recreation Board minutes

Recreation Board Members Present: Phil McNally, Eldon Leemhuis, Rick Leese, Tess Burke, Maribeth Manigold, James Less (Mark Astle, Director of Recreation)

Others attending the meeting: Bob Shull, Tami Huftel

Recreation Board Members Absent: Steve Kuhn, Marie McLaughlin

1. Maribeth motioned to approve the January minutes as amended. Eldon second. Motion passed.
2. Eldon moved to accept January Recreation financial report. Tess second. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.
3. Tess motioned to accept the January pool financial report. Rick second. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.
4. Pool Manager's report
  - a. Anne presented proposed pool budget. Board discussed budget and pool fees. Fees to be discussed at a later meeting. Board approved pool budget.
  - b. Anne reported there had been a leak at the pool in the winter. Cost to repair will be between \$4000 and \$5000.
  - c. The health department certificate has been renewed.
  - d. Anne is currently updating the public health form.
  - e. June 20<sup>th</sup> will be an "After Hours" event from 5-7.
  - f. Opening day will be June 1<sup>st</sup>. Hours will remain the same as last year.
5. Commissioner's report: Board discussed Central School track.
6. Director's Report
  - i. Mark reported that the adult basketball league was proceeding smoothly so far.
  - ii. Mark reported that Winter Recreation dance lessons on Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> at Bader Gym had attracted 32 couples.
  - iii. Mark reported that he was beginning the hiring process for Recreation supervisors.
7. Old Business --Board discussed future park plans.
8. Long-Range Planning and Board goals
  - a. Lincoln-Douglas Complex -- None
  - b. Bike Paths -- None
  - c. Future Parks
    - i. Eldon reported on the first Hollywood Park development meeting. He told the board that the first steps will be to determine drainage, level the park, use fill as needed, and plant grass.
    - ii. The board discussed parking requirements at the park.
  - d. Long-Range Planning - None.

9. Committee Reports

- a. By-laws – Maribeth presented revised by-law revisions to better reflect the inclusion of the pool under the board’s umbrella of responsibility. The board discussed. Revisions will be presented for final vote in March.
  - b. Finance – Mark presented a revised tentative budget. The budget reflected changes resulting from the reduction of funds provided by the city council. The board also agreed to a tentative list of expenditures for the Construction in Progress fund (see end of minutes for list).
    - i. Eldon moved to approve the budget. Rick second. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Passed.
  - c. Parks – None
  - d. Programs
    - i. Phil informed the board that Pony League was under new leadership.
    - ii. James distributed an email regarding youth baseball. Board discussed.
    - iii. ONLL has submitted all required documentation. Phil motioned that the board pay Ottawa National Little League maintenance money. Eldon second. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.
  - e. Pool -- – Tess will bring recommendations for pool admission rates to the next meeting.
10. New Business – Bob Shull announced that his department is beginning the process of standardizing city locks.
11. Meeting adjourned.

Ottawa Recreation Construction in Progress Breakdown

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| Hollywood Park                              | 48,325 |
| Varland Park                                | 5,000  |
| Batting cages                               | 7,500  |
| Marquette and<br>Adult softball             |        |
| New Lincoln Douglass<br>Baseball field work | 20,000 |
| Total:                                      | 80,225 |

Approved at Rec board meeting on Feb. 14, 2013