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RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Seymour Community Center- Room #107

Wednesday, March 28, 2018, 6:00 PM

Present: Joe Iarovera, Glenn Green, Mike Massie, Colleen Lundgren, Janice Keough

Members absent: Jamie Yakusevich

Others Present: Director of Community Services Mary Mcnelis, Recreation Program Manager Zack Phillippas

1. Call meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:09PM

2. Pledge of Allegiance

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public comment

No public comment.

4. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

5. Approval of minutes: 2/28/18

Glenn Green made a motion to approve the 2/28 minutes.

Second: Janice Keough

Approved:5-0

6. Approval of Treasures Report

Glenn Green made a motion to approve the Treasures report.

Second:Mike Massie

Approved:5-0

7. Recreation Manager's/Director's Report

The department is currently working towards securing field trips for the middle school camps.

They are going to go to Powder Ridge, where the kids can go skiing and tubing. There is also a Six Flags trip being planned. The department is continuing to plan trips for playground program. The department is looking into a horse farm in Seymour called Little Bit farm. They could do a summer camp here or possible an afterschool program utilizing community center buses.

8. Discussion and approval of CIT Program and Pre-K camp program

The CIT program has been finalized and applications have been put online. Those who sign up will have to work 5 of the 7 weeks. Each counselor in training will be paired with a counselor. The cost of this program is \$100, which is half the regular price of the camp. This cost includes t-shirts, field trips, and pizza. The department would like to get 5 or 6 CITs for this summer..

The pre-k program will be run all through July. This allows the department to reach the younger population. This program is at the community center. There will be a teacher with a counselor running the program. Kids will do arts and crafts in this program, and it will be run 9-12 mon-fri. People have the option to pick and choose which weeks they want to do or have their children attend all 4 weeks. 1 week costs \$75 and the full four weeks costs \$240. This program is for 3-5 year olds.

Janice Keough made a motion to approve the pre-k program.

Second: Colleen Lundgren

Approved: 5-0

9. Discussion and approval of walking trail around Community Center Field
United Way will be working on the community center garden. Utilizing this garden, the department may look into starting garden clubs. The department is looking to put a walking trail around the field at the Rec Center. They will be contracting Hayes for material, and the Public Works department will dig it. Currently, the field is not being used for much. The department has a lot of walkers who walk around the gym in the morning. With this walkway, there will be a place for them to walk outside. Also, the department would be able to have the couch to 5-k program at the Rec Center. Another idea is to put a basketball court out in the field.

Glenn Green made a motion to approve the walking trail.

Second: Mike Massie

Approved 5-0

10. Discussion and approval of outdoor basketball league

The department is looking to use Gary park to host basketball camp in the summer. The court condition in Gary park is not bad. The department is going to do some repairs to the courts, with replacing the rims and repainting the lines. Currently, the hoops are not tall enough. They are about 9.5 ft and need to be 10 ft. At the park, there is a challenge of not having a fence in the direction of the parking lot, which causes basketballs to often roll into the parking lot.

There is a possibility of getting new equipment for the exercise room at the Rec Center.

However, they are running out of room in exercise room, and may need to separate it into a cardio and weight room.

Janice Keough made a motion to approve the basketball camp, providing improvements are done to the Gary park courts.

Second: Colleen Lundgren

Approved:5-0

11. Discussion and possible approval of new programs.

A new flyer should go out next week with spring and summer programs.

Happy feet is a program where kids 3-5 can go play soccer for one hour per week. This will be one night a week in the summer or fall.

Skywalks is a multisport camp program for 4-6 year olds. The sports played would include soccer, baseball, and basketball.

Mike Massie made a motion to approve all pre-k programs

Second:Glenn Green

Approved 5-0

12. Public comment

No public comment

13. Adjournment

There was a motion to adjourn 6:45.

Motion:Janice Keough

Second:Colleen Lundgren