

Minutes

Parks & Recreation Committee

January 4, 2016

5:45 PM

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:45 PM by Chair LaBudda
2. Members present were Tiffany Kramer, Chair Shayne LaBudda, Mark Dieter, Jan Block and Don Chappell. Also present were Administrator Winger and Heidi Klaas.
3. Motion by Don Chappell, Second by Jan Block. Motion carried.
4. Heidi Klaas has served as an intern with the City since March 2015. The City felt it would be beneficial to have someone handle the administrative end of summer recreation events and scheduling. Heidi has a degree Accounting/Finance. She will be camp coordinator as well as assist Dave with various tasks. She will also develop a check-out system for supplies. Two positions were eliminated to create this position. This year, summer recreational sports will exhibit a camp style format. Those sports will be: Volleyball, Basketball, Tennis, T-ball, Little Tykes Soccer, Tumbling, Peewee Baseball and Theatre. The camp style format allows the City to recruit higher level of coaches/instructors. It also eliminates splitting families up to attend multiple children's events. The camp style format came about due to the survey results from last summer recreational activities. 57% preferred camp style. The camps will be 5 days. Times and fees will stay the same as the previous year. Baseball, Soccer (U7 – U14), swim, golf, and softball will remain as previous years (not camp style). So far, the coaches that have agreed to the camps this summer are: Missy Sperle for Basketball, Rich for Tennis, Enzo from Platteville for Little Tykes Soccer, Haylee for Tumbling, Josh Jensen for PeeWee Baseball, and Ann Dolan for Theatre. The City has agreed to pay each coach \$599.00 for their service. Committee members feel that the \$599.00 is a large amount to pay coaches for 5 days of commitment where the softball/baseball coaches are still volunteer basis for a longer season. Maybe should interview prospective coaches to ensure they are equipped to be camp coach. Softball/Baseball: club style is how the City has participated in past. The City pays a fee to be a part of the league. (\$700.00). Families feel that the travel is quite extensive in this league. The City still has to hire umpires, prepare fields, take complaints, etc. Platteville participates as a private club and share revenue. The committee feels the City should find out what leagues/clubs are available so we can detach from current league. Would be beneficial to play ourselves, more local teams from our neighboring communities. If this league is our only option, we need to be clear as to what we will do and will not do. Cuba City is in a Tri-State League similar to what we have been a part of in the past. The committee would like information on different options by next meeting. The committee is willing to hold a special meeting if necessary to accommodate time table for current league deadlines should there be no other option.
5. Peter Nordlow was in attendance at approximately 6:15 p.m. He would like to see the golf course groomed for cross country skiing. Steve expressed that he had contacted a gentleman who was building a groomer type apparatus. We are waiting to hear back on the status. Peter feels if the City offered this recreational option, more people would travel to our community to utilize the trails. The City is going to try and purchase a used groomer so that the golf course can be used for cross country skiing. The trial would need to be consistent from one year to the

next. The committee would love to see the private land from the county farm and out by Kondyke consecutively utilized for trials for additional options. The committee would like to see a year round director to provide activities for all ages groups all year round. The pool exterior has been completed. There will be a head pool manager and an assistant manager this year. The committee agrees that the pool cannot close early this year. There is a company from Platteville that is completing the pool evaluation. The committee would like to discuss pool concessions in the future. The ice rink will be flooded this week. The ice will then be added in layers. Aja completed a press release to inform the community about the ice rink.

6. Meeting motioned by Don Chappell to be adjourned at 7:15 p.m., second by Tiffany Kramer.
Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Tiffany Kramer