

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

January 26th, 2015

The meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee was called to order at 5:15 PM on January 26th, 2015 at the Youth Club.

Members Present: Kevin Schmidt, Paula Wiese, Sara Olejniczak, and Russ Nockerts

Members Absent: Jan Dart

Also Present: Sara Robertson and Mike Decur

Moved by Wiese, second by Nockerts to ammend the agenda.

Moved by Wiese, second by Olejniczak to approve change to agenda.

Moved by Nockerts, second by Wiese to approve December minutes.

Moved by Nockerts, second by Wiese to approve bills.

Public Comment: Mike Decur from the Department of Public Works came to talk to the committee about the position of the shared part-time hire for the Parks and Street Departments. We discussed the logistics of the position and went over the advertisement for Council approval.

Old Business:

- Rentals: Youth Club Rentals- 4 and Knudson Hall- 4
- The Park and Recreation Department sold the 1984 4-Wheeler for \$700. Money from the sale was put into an equipment replacement fund for Parks and Rec.
- Robertson reported that the department had \$20,260.68 in taxable sales and rentals for 2014. With 5% sales tax, we paid \$1013.03 in taxes.

Supervisor Report:

- Programming Update: The Saturday Morning Program will be starting the first week in February and run for four weeks. Erin Dahle and Beth Moll will be our program directors, with Lacy Holliday assisting and Bailey Delorit and Anna Dier doing the basketball skills. Beyond the Bell continues to draw kids to the program after school. Robertson has been asked to be on a steering committee for a Community Health and Wellness Program at the school district, as well as participate in the Reality Checks Program at the high school.
- Community Building Update: Salzsieder will be repairing and tacking down loose ceiling tiles in the youth club gym. We will need a lift and 10 sheets of plywood to protect the floor for the project. Motion made by Wiese, second by Nockerts to use \$400 of the Knudson Fund to make the repairs necessary in the gym. Schmidt gave the committee an update on the status of the Hotel coming to Algoma.
- Parks Update: Bobby VanLanen has offered his assistance in preparing baseball fields in the event the Salzsieder is unable to do so.

New Business:

- After discussions made under Public Comment about the new hires for the Shared Seasonal Employee and the Flower Maintenance worker, a motion was made by Nockerts, second by Olejniczak to recommend to Council to advertise for these positions. Motion made by Wiese, second by Olejniczak to rehire Elliot Prokash and Derek Johnson for the positions of Part Time Summer Maintenance Workers.
- Discussed giving Lacy Holliday a raise for the two years she has worked for Parks and Recreation. She will be moved from \$7.50 to \$8.00. Also discussed having Emily Simmons help at the club.
- Committee talked about purchasing new light features for the Park of Lights. Nockerts and Robertson will be making purchases of two 20 foot Christmas Trees in red and green lights. Motion made by Wiese, second by Olejniczak to purchase trees. We will also be upgrading some of the electrical cords and timers. Committee also discussed the request for a refund to the Amvets for their donation. Motion made by Wiese, second by Olejniczak to refund half of the donation. Schmidt will be writing a letter explaining the decision to the Amvets.
- Committee reviewed letter and bill from ASCAP regarding licensing for music played in the city at different events. It was recommended that the bill go to the office of City Administrator.
- Discussed the problems we've had with the Ice Rink at Newman Park this year. With the warmer temperatures and ground issues, it was decided to hold off on the ice rink. Ideas were presented about changing the location to the lot by the entrance of Peterson Park for next year. We will meet with Stoller Construction to get an estimate on how much it would cost to level the lot and install gravel. This solution could serve as a dual purpose for parking for baseball and softball games. More information will need to be gathered before making a decision for next winter.
- Robertson showed pictures of the flooring issues on the raised platform at the youth club. Salszieder was able to repair the hole in the floor but would like to replace the particle board that is currently used. It was decided that we could use the plywood for the flooring that would be used for the ceiling repair in the gym. Robertson will be looking for estimates for Pergo Flooring from Wiesner and Massart.

Next meeting: Monday, February 23rd at 5:30 pm at Algoma Youth Club.

Motion by Olejniczak, second by Nockerts to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.