



PARKS & RECREATION

Lower Level Council Chambers
Wednesday, November 13, 2024
6:00 PM

MINUTES

ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order by Megan Scherrman at 6:04 P.M.

PRESENT

Jason Lang, Jon Scherbring, Megan Scherrman, Sarah Goldsmith

ABSENT

Nathan Huebner, Casey Frye, Matt Ungs

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Scherrman asked for review and approval of the agenda. Motion made by Goldsmith, seconded by Scherbring.

Voting Yea: Lang, Scherbring, Scherrman, Goldsmith

Motion Carried

AGENDA ITEMS

1. **Approve** Meeting Minutes - October 23, 2024

Scherrman asked for comments or changes and there were none. Motion made by Goldsmith, seconded by Lang.

Voting Yea: Lang, Scherbring, Scherrman, Goldsmith

Motion Carried

2. All-Girls Soccer

Huehnergath sent a survey to parents of girls that played in the all-girls league. Some of the other communities sent the survey to their entire community. This may have skewed the results slightly. Most of those surveyed want to keep the All-Girls League the same as this year, possibly adding a few more games. The commission was questioning whether there would be enough interest to have a 5th/6th grade league and a 7th/8th grade league. When the sign-up is set up, we will just have one group 5th grade - 8th grade. We will divide into 5th/6th and 7th/8th grade leagues if we have enough players. We also intend to advertise this league more than we did last year.

3. Aquatic Center – Admissions

The commission thought changing the rates for the Aquatic Center to increase revenue would be a good idea. They liked the idea that 2 and under would be free. Anyone 3 years and older would be charged \$5. This will need to be approved by the City Council.

4. Aquatic Center – Parties

We currently charge \$350 per pool party. We had 5 parties this year. We did turn 2 or 3 people down since we did not have the staffing. Our current party time is 6 pm - 8 pm. Some other pools do not have parties at all. Others, have pool parties from 10 am - Noon and charge \$250. The commission liked the idea of having pool parties from 11 am - 1 pm. Regarding the charge for the party, they could not come to a consensus. They were looking at \$275 or \$300 for a pool party. Some pools charge based on the number attending. We need to decide if this is something we'd like to do. It was decided the fee for a pool party would be reviewed at the next meeting when all the commission members are present.

5. Aquatic Center - Closing Time

Huehnergath recommended that we close the pool if the temperature is below 70 degrees and there are 10 people or less in the first two hours. If inclement weather, it would be at the manager's discretion.

Voting Yea: Lang, Scherbring, Scherrman, Goldsmith

Motion Carried

6. Pool Improvements - Shade Structures

Huehnergath recommended that we purchase a shade structure for at the aquatic center. We have had several requests from patrons for a shade area. He recommended a shade similar to the one at the Xavier playground. This structure does not have poles, making installation easier. Installing this structure would allow parents to be in the shade, but still be close to their children. It was decided to purchase one now and see how that works before purchasing another one.

7. Pool Improvements - Play Area

We are looking at play area improvements. The city administrator does not want any permanent structures up there. Games would be an option in this area. Some ideas given were bag tosses, 4 square nets, etc. A sandbox was discussed; however, there was a sandbox in the past and too much sand found its way into the pool, making it tough on the filters.

8. Equipment SWAP Meet

The commission was on board with having an Equipment SWAP Meet. We will collect clean, gently used athletic gear including bats, gloves, balls, cleats, shin guards, helmets, etc. We will not collect clothing. We will be collecting from February 18-21, 2025 from 8 am – 5 pm. The SWAP Meet will be on March 1, 2025. Goldsmith will be creating a flyer.

9. Commission Member Comments

There were no commission member comments.

10. Set Next Meeting Date for Wednesday, December 11, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 P.M. on a motion made by Goldsmith, seconded by Scherbring.

Voting Yea: Lang, Scherbring, Scherrman, Goldsmith

Motion Carried



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Sandy Oberbroeckling