

Park and Recreation Commission

Minutes

(meeting taped)

Monthly meeting: Monday, June 14, 2010 in the City Hall.

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

By roll call, members present: John Walsh, Red Clynch, James Benanto and Nick Serednitsky. Beverly Moran, Andrew Cota and David Mikos were excused.

Parks and Recreation Director Dennis O'Connell and Athletic Director Joseph Orazetti were excused.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Motion was made by Red Clynch and second by Nick Serednitsky. Move to adopt the agenda, as written. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made Red Clynch and second by Nick Serednitsky. Move to accept the minutes of May 10, 2010, as written. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC PORTION:

No one was present.

CORRESPONDENCES:

Nothing was presented.

DIRECTOR REPORTS:

Parks & Recreation Director's Report: Mr. O'Connell was excused. Chairman Walsh advised that the allotment from the Board of Apportionment and Taxation was favorable. Proposed raises were approved with the exception of the Summer Program staff. The Capital Planning budget allowed for the Little League roof replacement (\$5,000), two Little League bleachers (\$7,000) and a universal workout machine (\$9,800) for the Derby Veteran's Community Center. The proposals for the bleachers are coming in lower than originally estimated and Mr. O'Connell may be able to purchase an additional set with the available funding. Chairman Walsh noted that the revenue for this year has reached \$65,000.

Mr. Benanto questioned whether the new Little League bleachers will be aluminum and elevated. Chairman Walsh was unsure. Mr. Benanto suggested that they may be multi-functional if they could be brought to the football field during that season for the visitor's side. This suggestion will be relayed to Mr. O'Connell.

Mr. Clynch stated that he attended the dedication of the batting cage at Ryan Field Complex to Sumner Sohrin. The event went very well.

Mr. Benanto noted that on the greenway there are some fence posts down and there are areas with graffiti. Chairman Walsh indicated that Public Works maintains the greenway and has been doing a fine job. The reported maintenance will be forwarded to them. Chairman Walsh noted that the greenway is probably the most popular recreation area in the valley.

High School Athletic Director's Report: Mr. Orazetti was excused.

NEW or OTHER BUSINESS:

Motion was made by Red Clynch and second by Joe Benanto. Move to cancel the July meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission unless matters arise that warrant the need for the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Red Clynch and second by Joe Benanto. Move to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully prepared,
Karen Kemmesies, secretary

These minutes are subject to the Commission's approval at their next scheduled meeting.