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Orange Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

Town Hall Meeting Room– 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday July 26, 2023

(Unapproved)

ATTENDANCE

Commissioners Present: Chairman James O'Connor, Vice Chair Stephen Bspuda, William Nicoletti, Dan Zapatka, Chuck Stackpole, Jack Pritchard, and James Ronai

Commissioners Absent: Deborah Davis

Staff: Dan Lynch, Director of Parks and Recreation; Deborah Satonick, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

- Chairman O'Connor called the meeting to order at 7:39 p.m. and asked the members to introduce themselves.

2. PUBLIC DIALOGUE

- There was no public dialogue at this time.

3. MINUTES – June 28, 2023

- Members reviewed the minutes and made edits as deemed appropriate.

Mr. Ronai made a motion to approve the amended June 28, 2023 Parks and Recreation minutes, seconded by Mr. Bspuda. All were in favor and the motion PASSED.

4. OLD BUSINESS

- Mr. Lynch will review any old business in his Director's Report.

5. NEW BUSINESS

B. Grounds and Facilities - Mr. Bspuda

- There was nothing to report at this time.

C. Personnel

- Mr. Lynch advised that all the summer help is doing well with two weeks left to the Summer Program. There have been no issues reported.

C. Budget

- Mr. Lynch reported that the Board of Finance did not make any cuts to their proposed 2023-2024 budget and he is grateful for this. The resurfacing of the two basketball courts at High Plains was submitted as a Capital Expenditure but he has not yet heard back on the status of this request.

D. Director's Report

- Mr. Lynch reported that it has been a good season with Summer Camp and Travelin Teens. The concert/fireworks event was cancelled twice due to weather, and it is now scheduled for September second, starting at 6:30 p.m., with a rain date of September 4th.
- Mr. Lynch noted that the ground crew is very busy with mowing, trimming, and cleanup work as well as ballfield maintenance. They continue to set up, clean up, and remove trash for events at the HPCC Fairgrounds. The carnival is scheduled for next Thursday, August 3rd, through Sunday, August 6th.
- Mr. Lynch reviewed the Programs Report and the Aquatic Report with the Commission members. He noted that registration for the fall swim lessons will start late August once he has the number of returning staff. He added that Summer Camp includes swim lessons as part of the program. Eleven campers passed their swim test and are out of their lifejackets.
- A new backwash system has been completed last week and sump pumps have been installed. These improvements will help keep the pool water clean and basement dry. The pool will shut down for the annual maintenance from August 13th until after Labor Day.

6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- Mr. O'Connor reported that the Board of Finance approved a traffic study for Fred Wolfe Park. The playground will be open within the next few weeks and a fence is on order. Lastly, Mr. O'Connor thanked Mr. Corris, who recently resigned, for his years of volunteer service on the Commission and wished him well in his new venture.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ronai made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m., seconded by Mr. Stackpole. All were in favor and the motion PASSED.

Respectfully Submitted,
Deborah Satonick
Recording Secretary