

RECREATION COMMISSION MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 11, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bonnie Jones, Christi Filipi, Sheena Royce, Bill Brown, Catie Bisson, and Cindi Beede.

The meeting convened at 6:30pm.

1. Basketball Update: There are 50 kids participating in the 2019 Youth Basketball Program (up 10 from 2018). A total of \$550 was raised from local sponsors to help cover the program costs. Sponsors include DJ Ray Ray, Troy Powersports, Surrell Accessories, Little Learners Preschool and Daycare, Growing Minds Preschool and Daycare, The Flip Side Grille, The Troy Recreation Department, and the Troy Pizza Barn. There are two weeks left of the program. Overall, things are running smoothly. There are not enough coaches/volunteers. Next year, the program should run 6weeks. Earlier planning is necessary to secure the volunteers. Mrs. Beede suggests calling former coaches ahead of time and having a notary present at registration.
2. Strong by Zumba: This program start is still on hold until Mrs. Royce can commit to a session.
3. C/I/T: Emily Jengo is willing to take over as lead for the C/I/T Program. This playgroup will move to every other Thursday morning (formerly Fridays) from 9:30-11:00. Nancy Woodward, who led Rhyme Time once a month, is not available on Thursdays. C/I/T is scheduled to start February 21st.
4. Kids Yoga: A 4- week session of Yoga was offered on Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:00 at the Library before preschool storyhour. The session was disrupted by snow days and delayed openings. The attendance was low until the final class which had 9 children. Robyn Andersen, instructor, is willing to try again in March. Mrs. Filipi said she heard feedback from some parents who said having the two programs back to back was too much for their children. They were too tired to finish storyhour and stay focused if they did both. Mrs. Royce mentioned that there was no Preschool on Friday, leading the Commission to believe that changing the date of the program would be best. Mrs. Beede will contact Ms Andersen and see if Fridays will work for her starting in March. She will also touch base with the Library.
5. Summer Rec: An advertisement for the position of Summer Recreation Director was placed in the Keene Sentinel for three Saturdays, once in the ELF, and online for a month. The deadline is March 1st.
6. Revolving Acct: Deb Favreau suggested that the Commission look at program costs, perhaps raising the fees for such programs which are not self-sustaining. The Commission is aware that some programs have struggled to meet costs, which is why they decided to cancel basketball this season. When the community spoke and said they wanted Youth Basketball, the Commission decided to try one more season, make some program adjustments, and seek sponsorship to help with the costs. It has been successful.

Ms. Bisson made a motion to adjourn at 7:05pm. The motion was seconded and passed 6-0.