

**RECREATION & SPECIAL EVENTS ADVISORY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 10, 2015**

**ATTENDEES: Ravi Sharma, Tizz Crowley, Dan Poisson, Dana Staples**

**ABSENT: Dave Gonyea, Phil Savignano, Dave Sterling, Sue Patneau, Eric Audette.**

- I. Review of Minutes** – Minutes were discussed and reviewed.
- II. Ingersoll Update** – Construction continues. Lights converted to LED lights. Sprinkler system work is near completion. Plumbing is on-going. Concrete is being worked on. Egress doors are being installed and framing done. Plywood wall has been repaired and will be covered with vinyl. Old water heating system has been removed. Everything is on schedule and is progressing nicely. Three to four organizations are being negotiated with for time in the facility.
- III. Committee Updates** – None  
There were 3 items that were presented to the council that should have come before the advisory board before going to the council: L-A Arts, Art Therapy and the Liberty Festival. The city manager and others need to direct people to the advisory board, when appropriate so that the process is not being circumvented.
- IV. New Business**
  - A. Parks & Recreation Month – July – Some ideas as to what we can do to promote it. Copied some of the language from MRPA for Mayoral proclamation onto recreation letterhead. Blurb on Facebook every week in July. We will put a picture of one of the recreation department staff and a bio of their history with the department. Hopefully this will drive people to our website. Department of Conservation will also promote parks and recreation month during July.
  - B. Program Updates
    1. New registrations for all youth football from 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade football. Also a Clinic and a week-long camp will be held for grades 5 through 8.
    2. Soccer Camp in July
    3. Track begins on Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>
    4. Golf lessons are coming up in July. Bob Darling is the instructor. Tizz asked that Ravi look into offering lessons for adults.
    5. Day camp begins June 29<sup>th</sup>. There will be up to 250 kids in Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. All financial aid is gone but we have been instructed by the city manager to continue to take applications.
    6. Spring Running wraps up this week
    7. Spring Soccer wraps up on Sunday. 114 players
    8. Tee Ball will wrap up in a couple of weeks.
    9. Mini Lacrosse clinics for 4 & 5 and 6 & 7 year olds. Held on Sundays. This program will wrap up on Sunday at Lower Pettengill Field.
    10. Youth Lacrosse will be wrapping up soon. 86 players this year. Competes with baseball.

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11. Line Dancing continues. 76 people participated. This has been in the senior citizens newsletters, and Senior Moments
12. Pickleball - 605 people have participated. This program will be ending soon, but we are working on an outdoor program for the summer at the EL courts.
13. Adult summer basketball in ongoing. This is a pick-up league. There are 14 teams with about 140 players.
14. Adult Softball is also ongoing, with 29 teams in the Players League 435 players. 21 Co-Rec teams with 315 players.

Tizz requested the dates for the next Box Car Movie Night (August 7, 2015, and Winter Fest (January 29 – 31)

- C. Budget/Program Fund Balances – Should have something ready for the next meeting. Ravi and Dave will be working on it. It was suggested that the next meeting be rescheduled to a different day. Ravi will discuss it with Dave.
- D. Rec/Sports Tourism Presentations
  1. June 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m. at CMCC – Kirk Hall – Bill Baker
  2. July 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m. at CMCC – Kirk Hall – Rob Cappola

V. Open

VI. Adjournment