



City of Auburn, Maine

Recreation Department

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Parks and Recreation Advisory Board - Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at 6:30pm

City Hall Room 204

Members Present: Misty Edgecomb, Sabrina Best, Tim Cogle, Suzanne Roy, Belinda Gerry. Absent: Dana Staples and Rick Martel. Members of the Public: Councilor Leroy Walker, Councilor Alfreda Fournier

1. Approval of Minutes – August Meeting was held at the Municipal Beach and no business was conducted.

2. Recreation Directors Report

a. Fall Brochure is out and there was a main focus on Senior Programming to enhance the trip selection providing. Sabrina talked about the numerous amounts of changes that come up throughout the year and having this brochure be an electronic version allows for the consistent update.

b. Sabrina's Vacation – Sabrina will be out for the next meeting due to vacation, there was a motion made to hold the October meeting on Oct 17 (Gerry/Cogle) unanimous

3. Work in Progress

a. 150th Update – Sabrina attached an update she provided at the council meeting. Councilor Fournier provided an update on the Memorial Parade including the efforts being made with local veteran and naval organizations to offer more than just the parade in the celebration.

4. Sub Committee reports

a. Senior Community Center Facility Sub Committee – Belinda reported the Mayors Ad Hoc committee for Age Friendly that is co-chaired by herself and Councilor Walker. They are seeking members to help promote the Age Friendly initiative within the Auburn Community. They are looking to accomplish programming needs, facility needs, transportation and other amenities' needs. Belinda, Councilor Walker, Sabrina, and Councilor Fournier attended an AARP event that day in Augusta and was able to learn a lot about different programs and services other communities offer. There will be a Hot Dog social at the end of the month at the Senior Center to help bring awareness around the Age Friendly committee. There was some discussion on if the PR Advisory Sub committee would still be needed if the Age Friendly Committee was placed into ordinance due to the similar goals. After some passionate and heated discussion this item was tabled for the next meeting (Cogle/Edgecomb) unanimous.

b. Parks Sub Committee – Mistry reported that the group is currently conducting their annual summer park tour and have several left to go. Once the tour is over they will put a report together on their findings.



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5. New Business

a. Council Update – Sabrina mentioned that Dana will be providing an update at the Sept. 17th City Council meeting at 7pm at City Hall.

b. Strategic Planning City Wide – Sabrina reported the efforts being made to create a committee that will be focusing on various areas within the city's current and future. Various board members from all City related boards and committees along with Public volunteers will be asked to participate in these discussions. Look for more information in the next month to come from the City Managers Office.

6. Adjourn

****Motion:** to **Adjourn** by Suzanne Roy/Second by Misty Edgecomb, unanimous