

RECREATION COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

July 22nd, 2022 5:30pm P.M., Park View Room

Present: Ms. Katy Cornell, Ms. Stacy Barry-Coffey, Dr. Susan Retzack, Ms. Allison Kelly, Mr. Neal Palmer

Absent: Trustee Tom Michalski, Mr. Wes Parkin, Mr. Ryan Black

Also Present: Mr. Jonathan Clemins, Recreation Director

1.) Call meeting to order

Trustee & Chairperson Katy Cornell called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.

2.) Review and act on minutes dated June 16th 2022

Ms. Cornell motioned to approve the minutes. Dr. Retzack moved and Ms. Barry-Coffey second the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

3.) 4th of July recap

Mr. Clemins started by going over the Fun Run, bike decorating contest and bake contest and noted that all went smoothly before the weather. Dr. Retzack asked if there were enough volunteers for the activities. Mr. Clemins said there were but we could always use more and noted Village staff, not volunteers, ran most of the activities. Mr. Palmer brought up the amount of activities for Jr. Guild and noted there were less. Mr. Clemins mentioned it was also due to limited volunteers. Ms. Cornell inquired about the possibility of having online registration for the fun run next season which Mr. Clemins said would be a possibility. Mr. Palmer mentioned that it would help with shirt ordering and would be helpful to not put a date on them. Mr. Clemins then went over food truck participation and fireworks and noted that the reschedule date for fireworks would be discussed on Monday's Board meeting. Ms. Cornell asked about how the food trucks did with the weather and if there was a possibility for them to come earlier. Mr. Clemins said that the food trucks did struggle with sales due to weather and that he thinks they would be open to coming earlier next year.

4.) Summer Program Updates

Mr. Clemins let the committee know that the new diving board has been installed and courts 4, 5 & 6 should be lined and resurfaced early August. The Great Elm Grove Camp Out planning is ongoing and Mr. Clemins will re-open registration to allow for more families to sign up. Mr. Clemins also mentioned the ongoing staffing issues for the summer. Ms. Cornell asked for an update on the splash pad and if it would have any more issues for the summer. Mr. Clemins said he thinks he has found the issue and contacted companies to look at the splash pad in the offseason and that the splash pad should make it to the end of the season. Ms. Cornell then asked if our limited pool hours hurt attendance this summer. Mr. Clemins stated that it has been a slower summer but does not think the limited pool hours affected the low attendance.

5.) Other Business

Mr. Clemins mentioned that he would not be able to attend the next committee meeting and asked if we needed to reschedule or would the committee be fine with emailed updates. Ms. Cornell mentioned let's wait and see if we need to vote on anything and revisit this when we get closer to the date. Dr. Retzack asked if the basketball court would be resurfaced soon. Mr. Clemins said he would look into when the court was last resurfaced. Ms. Barry-Coffey reminded the committee of the stalled review and update of the park and open space plan and that is still an outstanding item to be done.

6.) Adjourn

Ms. Barry-Coffey moved and Ms. Kelly seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jon Clemins, Recreation Manager

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