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Waterford Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 20, 2018
Waterford Recreation Center

- I. **Meeting: Donna Kelley called meeting to order, 6:33pm**
Members present: Jerry Beseau, Gordon Briggs, Darin Chidester, Donna Kelley, Dan Ludwig, Rob Petrusha and Linda Zabik
Not Present: Allison Buczek and J.R. Olerich
Also Present: Tori Heglin, Jessica Smith Alison Swanson, and Chrissy White
- II. **Receive and Approve Agenda:** Motion made by Linda Zabik to add Jessica Smith's presentation to the agenda, support Darin Chidester. Motion approved.
- III. **Receive and Approve Minutes:** Motion made by Jerry Beseau to accept the minutes as printed, support Darin Chidester. Motion approved.
- IV. **New Business**
 - A. **Adopt-A-Park and Renaming Request for Fish-Hatchery Park, Jessica Smith, Green Party Candidate**
 1. Motion made by Jerry Beseau to accept offer by Jessica Smith, Green Party Candidate to adopt Fish-Hatchery Park pending Township Board approval.
 2. Alison Swanson will submit Jessica Smith's park adoption to the October 9th Township Board agenda.
 3. Board members discussed approving a policy regarding the renaming of parks.
 - B. **5-Year Recreation Plan Survey Results Reviewed with Alan Bean, AICP, Spicer Group, Inc.**
 1. Survey was available from July 2-August 20, 2018, received 732 responses.
 2. Reviewed questions and answers of the survey.
 3. Spicer Group Inc. will be working on goals and action items with Alison.
 4. A public hearing will take place no later than February 2019.
- V. **Reports**
 - A. **Superintendent's Report: Alison Swanson**
 1. Financial Report Received
 2. Department News
 - a. Golden Age Games, sponsored by McLaren Oakland were held June 19th-28th. We had 102 participants that competed in events.
 - b. Summer Concerts always well received by community.
 - c. Working with Excel Employment Opportunities to bring a group of individuals with special needs out to work at our parks to perform various beautification projects.
 - d. Working on 2019 winter/spring activities.
 - e. Working on getting new software set-up and ready to launch in January 2019.
 - f. Public meeting held on September 13th, regarding the proposed Community Center the conceptual renderings were revealed.
 - B. **Recreation Report: Tori Heglin**
 1. Apple Pie Sale October 15th-19th, order pies early! We are also looking for volunteers 8:00am-11:00am.

2. Thanksgiving/Veterans Luncheon is Thursday, November 15th.
3. Golden Age Club will celebrate 60 years in 2019.
4. Big Wheels - 16 companies with 26 trucks were there, estimated to have 139 families in attendance.
5. Trunk or Treat - Friday, October 26th, we are looking for people to pass out candy.
6. Harvest Happening - Sunday, October 7th, Genisys Credit Union is our presenting sponsor.
7. Funtober – Saturday, October 13th, Waterford Coalition for Youth is having their Zombie Run after Funtober at 5:30pm.

C. Hess-Hathaway Park: Jerry Beseau

1. Eagle Scout finished flooring in bathroom. Flooring in the rest of the historic house is almost completed.
2. 200+ bales of hay were cut from our field for our animals.
3. Reappointment of Art Frasca and Linda Hardacre on the Hess Advisory Committee.

D. Golden Age Club: Dan Ludwig

1. Donation of 117 pairs of eyeglasses, and 5 cell phones were collected.
2. \$500 was donated to Waterford Senior Center Meals on Wheels.
3. Fund raiser at Heroes Restaurant raised \$125 in June.
4. Plant Sale – over 100 plants were donated, after cost \$660 was raised.
5. First annual Tea Party was sold out, still waiting on amount that was raised.
6. As of July 11, 2018 \$30,435.87 is in the GAC bank account.
7. Next board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 26th at 1:00pm.

E. Township Government

1. No report

F. Waterford School District: Rob Petrusa

1. No report.

G. Drayton Plains Nature Center

1. Equipment was purchased for Corwin, the The DPNC Caretaker to use for projects at park and on trails. He is doing a great job.
2. Looking to purchase new chairs for the building.
3. Halloween Hayrides are Saturday, October 20th from 5:30-9:30pm.
4. DPNC Fund was transferred into a CD with a higher interest rate.

H. Historical Society

1. Gazebo was vandalized, insurance company is covering cost to repair or replace gazebo.
2. Sally Strait is looking into getting surveillance cameras.
3. New roof on log cabin.
4. Storage garage has been resided and new windows have been installed by Parks and Recreation. Thank you so much to James Wagner, our part-time seasonal employee!

VI. Old Business

A. Proposed Waterford Community Center

1. Fact sheet handed out to the Board.
2. The meeting from September 13th is on the Township website along with the bond proposal calculator, <https://www.waterfordmi.gov/Community-Center>
3. Bond proposal will appear on November 6th ballot.

Adjournment at 9:32pm