

GRAND BLANC PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes of January 18, 2007

The regular meeting of the Grand Blanc Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 6:17 pm by Jet Kilmer at the Grand Blanc Parks and Recreation office, 360 E. Grand Blanc Road, Grand Blanc, Michigan.

Commission Present:

Jet Kilmer	Vice Chairman
Ted Brundle	Secretary
Tom Pettit	Treasurer
Gary Gratsch	Commissioner
Ginny Knag	Commissioner
Roger Swaim	Commissioner

Commission Absent: Sue Soderstrom Chairman

Staff Present:

Kae Eidson	Executive Director
Jamie Weasel	Assistant Director
Vickie Michelson	Senior Coordinator
Kellie Sergent	Recreation Programmer
Andy Taylor	Maintenance Supervisor
Paula Rainey	Office Manager

Minutes Motion by R. Swaim, supported by T. Pettit, that the Minutes of the December 11, 2006, meeting be approved as presented. Yeas-6, Nays-0. Motion approved.

Director's Report

Director Kae Eidson continues to attend regular staff meetings at the City and Township as well as Chamber of Commerce meetings and Kiwanis meetings.

The Director and Asst. Dir. J. Weasel met with representatives of the Spicer Group to accept the final draft of the Master Plan update and discuss procedures for the public hearing and adoption by all three governmental units. The Spicer Group also presented some general information on regional and state wide programming comparisons.

Director Eidson attended the Township Committee of the Whole meeting, December 12 to present information on the new salary and wage packages approved at the December 11, 2006 Commission meeting.

The Director attended the December 19 meeting of the Genesee County Senior Citizen Millage Advisory Committee and continues to communicate

with the area Senior Directors and County Commissioner Miles Gadola regarding distribution of funds.

Director Eidson attended the Township Committee of the Whole meeting January 9 to distribute the final draft of the Master Plan.

The Director, along with the Assistant Director and Recreation Programmer, met with B. Bender and J. Carlson, representatives of the youth baseball board to further discuss questions regarding developing a partnership with youth baseball.

The Director and Assistant Director met with AYSO representative B. Hoffman to discuss the next steps with the notification from the DNR that the grant application for developing soccer fields at Creasey Bicentennial Park has been rejected.

Director Eidson met with full time staff to review their annual evaluations.

Assistant Director's Report

Assistant Director Jamie Weasel reported that the youth basketball season is underway with a great staff lined up for these programs. Sam Spence, Kres Washington, Darryll Brown, and Uko Oshima will be returning for Bambino and Midget programs. Sam will be running the "First Step" Basketball program. Curtis Williams will be returning to supervise the "You Go Girl" league. Their level of experience and expertise is the key to the success of our youth basketball programs.

Jamie, along with the Director and Recreation Programmer has spent a great deal of time working with the Little League Baseball group. One of the major changes will be softball and baseball programs for children age 5 to 8 will be played evenings in the spring. Games for this age group have taken place during the daytime as part of our regular summer program offerings.

Adult softball registration will begin in February. Current plans are to resume the Tuesday and Wednesday format again this season. J. Munoz will supervise the program again this year.

Jamie has begun planning the 2007 Summer Concert series. Sponsors are being sought to help fund the series this season. Chase has agreed to be a sponsor. Current plans are to hold concerts at Physicians' Park on Tuesday evenings in July.

Recreation Programmer Report

Recreation Programmer Kellie Sergent reported that the youth basketball programs have begun. Sam Spence will be supervising the Midget and Bambino basketball programs.

Middle School intramural volleyball at East and West campuses has finished for this year. It was a short season, but the girls seemed to enjoy the program. Intramural basketball will begin in February. Curtis Williams, who supervises our Men's basketball league, will be the supervisor for this program. His experience should enhance the program as well as solve some of the disciplinary problems that have occurred in past years.

Elementary after school programs are scheduled to begin the week of January 22. Programs include basketball, cheerleading, Project MOVE, and karate.

Current programs for children with special needs include basketball and Pilo Polo hockey with Coach Marcy and also VIP roller skating at Rollhaven. The "Winter Wonderland" dance is planned for January 26.

Kellie has been attending meetings with the Little League Baseball group. An informational meeting was held January 9 at the Senior Center. Many of the 2006 baseball coaches attended the meeting. The group will select a board to oversee the program at its next meeting.

Maintenance Supervisor

Maintenance Supervisor Andy Taylor and staff have moved basketball equipment to McGrath Elementary for Midget and Bambino programs.

The fence at Skate Park was repaired.

Andy met with an agent from the MSU Cooperative Extension to discuss the pond at Creasey Bicentennial Park. A water sample from the pond has been taken to the County Health Department in an effort to determine the source of the algae in the pond.

Andy and staff met with B. Tubbs of Grand Blanc Schools who shared information on proposed methods of repairing damage to athletic fields and programs for maintaining extended field usage.

Andy met with the Director and Assist Director to discuss baseball/softball equipment needs and budgets for the upcoming seasons.

New Business—Director Eidson requested change in agenda to discuss comments from Public Hearing.

The final draft of the Master Plan update was discussed. The list (on file) of requests and ideas presented during the Public Hearing by audience members was reviewed.

Discussion was held and consensus reached by the Commission to include suggested revisions in the update.

Senior Quarterly

Reports Senior Coordinator Vickie Michelson presented meal, trip, program and rental report for the fourth quarter on 2006.

Membership dues for 2007 are being collected with many new members joining the Center.

Administration &

Policy The Committee met via e-mail January 8th, with all members of the committee responding.

Director Eidson prepared and reviewed a summary of the results of the 2006 Variable Pay formula and forwarded it to the committee for their review. Based on the 2007 Wage and Benefit Proposal, the 2006 Variable Pay goals had to be met to qualify for the one time pay increase going forward.

The summary of the successful results of the 2006 Variable Pay formula was presented to the Commission for review.

Budget &

Finance No report.

Senior

Committee The Committee did not meet, Senior Coordinator Vickie Michelson reported that the area Senior Directors continue to meet regarding the Genesee County Senior Citizens Millage. The position for the Director to administer the Millage funds has been posted with a February 15, 2007 deadline for applications. The exact dollar amount to be distributed to the county wide agencies and senior centers is still unknown.

Area &

Facilities The Director and Maintenance Supervisor have been meeting with Township officials to discuss solutions to the drainage issues at the park. It was thought that cutting a swale to catch the runoff from the fields would solve most of the problems. Upon further investigation the Township DPW now is suggesting installing drain tiles in the area around the baseball fields to properly drain the area.

The Township has contracted Michigan Fence to remove the old fencing at the front of Creasey Bicentennial Park.

New Business

The Director requested a motion to approve an application for a temporary liquor license for the "Hard Time Party", scheduled for March 3, 2007.

Motion by J. Kilmer, supported by G. Gratsch, to approve applying for a temporary liquor license for the March 3 "Hard Times" Party.

Motion by J. Kilmer, supported by T. Pettit, to transfer \$2,850.00 from the Millage Account to the General Fund for funding of the Master Plan update. Yeas-6, Nays-0. Motion approved.

Financial Reports

Motion by T. Pettit, supported by G. Gratsch, to accept the December Financial reports as presented. Yeas-6, Nays-0. Motion approved.

Motion by G. Gratsch, supported by T. Brundle, to adjourn the meeting, as there was no other business to discuss. Yeas-6, Nays-0. Motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Brundle, Secretary
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