

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

Wednesday, December 14, 2011

Minutes

PRESENT: Meghan O'Connor, Angelo Franzese, Patrick Morton, Stephen Poole, Gary Regan, Lou Valenti, and Eileen Earle.

ABSENT: Rachael McGrath and William Pullan.

CALL TO ORDER: Meghan O'Connor called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the November 30, 2011 special meeting were accepted on a motion by Stephen Poole and seconded by Angelo Franzese.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, PAYROLL AND INCOME was reviewed and on a motion by Gary Regan and seconded by Pat Morton, unanimously approved by all members present.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

Eileen Earle met with Silvestri Fencing regarding moving the fence and batting cage at Pullan Field. Parks and Rec. will move forward with this project. Baseball requested a 3 feet warning area along the fence, much discussion followed but no decision was made. Discussion followed concerning the use of other fields to give Soccer and Lacrosse more field time in the spring. Additional information to follow.

PROGRAMS:

The following programs are completed: All fall programs have ended except for Dance which runs for 12 weeks and will end in January.

The following programs are in progress: Winter Programs started the first week of December. The Basketball leagues are in their 3rd week of session. Picture day for basketball was last Saturday, Dec. 10th. Sportography had a photographer at each school location which helped to keep things running smoothly. The younger team players chose the package while the older teams choosing just the team photos.

The following programs are being planned: Spring Programs and the High School Basketball League.

MEETING DATES: The meeting dates for 2012 were reviewed and on a motion by Angelo Franzese and seconded by Gary Regan, unanimously approved by all members present.

BUDGET 2012-2013: The budget was reviewed with the decision made to increase Account 206, Maintenance and Supplies and also Account 405 Capital Construction. Copies of the Accounts report were given to the Commission Members to review with a final decision to be made at the Special Meeting to be scheduled in January.

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CAPITAL PLAN – 5 year:

2012-2013:

Tennis Courts, Preliminary designs will cost \$8,000-10,000 with the complete package at \$154,350, replacing the nets and fencing would bring it to \$167,950.

The Irrigation at Berry will cost \$25,000 and will include the areas from the track to the 2 softball fields.

Discussion followed concerning the remodel of the Municipal Center Locker Rooms. Not sure if it should be in the Parks and Rec. Capital Plan, but maybe a three departmental capital plan.

2013-2014:

Irrigation at Johnson, \$25,000 includes the upper field and the Softball field

Outdoor Exercise Equipment at Meckauer, \$13, 542 will be located along the walking path.

Meckauer Park Garages: \$22,660

2014-2015:

Water Parks Installation & Sewer, Parks and Rec. has a Drain away System Water Park, just need funding for the cement pad and connection to the sewer.

Kolowski Property, Development, \$700,000

Dog Park, \$30,000 including fencing

Enlargement of Middle School

2015-2016:

Turf Field

Lights at Johnson, \$200,000

2016-2017:

Parloa Park Improvement

Pool/Community Center

The Capital Plan discussion also included the Capital Equipment Plan for 2012-2017.

2012-2013: Xmark lawn mower, have 1 new one would cost \$12,000-13,000

Sod Cutter, is from 1998, new sod cutter would cost \$2300 and Aerator \$2400

2013-2014: F350 Pick-up truck

Overseeder and large capacity mower

2014-2015: Tractor, Walk-behind, Lowboy Pick-up

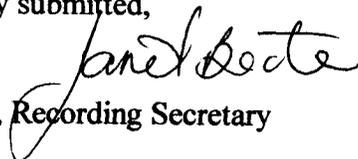
2015-2016: Utility Vehicle

Parks and Rec. Commission Members will continue to review the Budget and at the next meeting a 2012 Budget will be finalized. As there was no further business on tonight's agenda, Angelo Franzese made a motion, which was seconded by Gary Regan to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

There will be a Special meeting on Wednesday, January 11, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the Clifford J. Hurgin Municipal Center.

The next regular meeting will be held on January 25, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the Clifford J. Hurgin Municipal Center.

Respectfully submitted,


Janet Beote, Recording Secretary