

Recreation Committee Meeting February 16th 5pm

Meeting called to order at 5:10 by Chairperson Kendle

Meeting held via zoom

Regularly scheduled meeting on 2/9 was “bombed” and abruptly ended.

ROLL CALL: in attendance- Committee members: Ricks, Chapman, Jordan, Anderson, Eagles, Young, Cioffi, McAllister and Chairperson Kendle. Absent: Committee members Brown, Sood

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

Approval of minutes from the January meeting:

A motion by Ricks to approve the minutes from the January meeting. Seconded by Eagles. All were in favor

Continued discussion on bylaws:

Recommended changes included:

Chapman - appointments are made by Mayor and Council at its yearly reorganization meeting held in January

Kendle- under purpose it should say residents not just youth. Eagles recommended taking wording directly from the resolution “ for the youth of the City and residents”.

Under meetings: will be changed to read “Regular monthly meetings of the Recreation Advisory Committee will be held on a day and at a time agreed upon by the Committee

Discussion was held on the language regarding required attendance at meetings and what should determine removal of a Committee members. More discussion on this will be held at our March meeting.

Jordan thought it would be good if we could meet in person. Because of Covid safety concerns in person meetings are not presently held.

I reviewed with the Committee the resolution establishing the Recreation Advisory Committee which clearly defines the role of the committee in an advisory and consultative manner. The purpose of the Committee was discussed as this will be included in the bylaws. The goal is for everyone to understand their roles. Chairperson Kendle asked when did this become an Advisory Committee. I answered from its inception, in 2015 it was established as such by you and the Council. Chairperson Kendle said he will talk to City Manager about changing the purpose of the Committee.

Chairperson Kendle said that he wants each Committee each member to be in charge of a program and the other Committee members would support whoever is running the program. Cioffi and Eagles again referred to the Council resolution that established the Committee stating that the Committee is advisory only.

Chairperson Kendle said he has ideas about activities/ programs that will take place. Ricks said and what if we don't like your ideas.

I suggested that the Committee discuss and come to an agreement on the programs they would like to see along with an estimated budget and I would discuss these with my boss, Donna, the City Manager. Chairperson Kendle said he will be there when I discuss it with Donna.

Mcallister asked for clarification on the roles of the Committee verses the Rec Department. I explained that the Committee is advisory capacity to the Recreation Department. The Rec Dept runs programs. He asked about the Trunk or Treat event because Committee members assisted with that. I said if Committee members want to volunteer to assist that's fine and I welcome it since I am a dept of one. But no one on the advisory board can be forced to run a program or participate if they chose not to. With trunk or treat, the Committee chose to volunteer with getting candy donations, keeping count, monitoring the event etc. but as the rec dept, its my job to make the event happen.

More discussion will be held on the bylaws, programming and the recreation department budget at our march meeting. It was emphasized that the Advisory Committee does not have a budget, the Recreation Dept does. I look forward to getting ideas for programming from the Committee to discuss with the City Manager.

Meeting adjourned at 5:54pm

Minutes submitted by Leesha Floyd

