

ANSONIA RECREATION COMMISSION

August 6, 2013

Regular Meeting

Present: Al Smith, Chairman
Michael Cratty
Steve Kichar
Tom Lynch
Jamie Puro

Absent: Steve Sobolisky

Others Present: Donna Lindgren, ANC Director
Jeff Coppola, Recreation Director

The Regular Meeting of the Ansonia Recreation Commission was called to order by Chairman Smith at 6:00 p.m.

All present rose and Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

The secretary called the roll.

There was a quorum present.

Director Reports

Football

Mr. Kichar discussed the number of players registered for the Fall season. He said it has been good so far. He will have a game schedule for the September meeting. There will be a scrimmage Labor Day weekend. They have eliminated the scholarships because of the

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equipment costs. Mr. Kichar said that Mr. Coppola has been helping with the payment plans for the players.

Mr. Puro asked if Derby was playing on Nolan Field's game field.

Chairman Smith said that no one was up there on the field.

Mr. Cratty made a motion to accept the Football Report. Mr. Lynch seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Soccer

There is no one present. Mr. Sheehy is on vacation.

Baseball & Softball

There is no one present. They are on vacation.

Public Session

Chairman Smith asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to address the commission.

There was no one.

Mr. Kichar made a motion to close the public session. Mr. Cratty seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Reports: Jeffrey Coppola, Recreation Director

Mr. Coppola was present.

He asked if there were any questions on his report. He said the Little League issue will be taken care of without Recreation. They will address the problem within their organization.

Mr. Coppola discussed the possible grant money for the Armory. He also discussed some projects he would like to see in the City such as an ice skating rink at Olson Drive for the winter months. Maybe a skate park or a bike park. He would also like to get the summer playground program going for next year. Possibly hold it at Prendergast School because they have the new playground equipment. He would also like to have some adult classes in the Fall, he has spoken to Carol Merlone, Supt. Of Schools on this.

Mr. Kichar asked Mr. Coppola what is going on with the Armory.

Mr. Coppola said there is a grant that Ms. Krugel has and it has to be spent on the floors. The rooms will be done by Public Works.

Mr. Kichar asked if there will be a room for Little League equipment.

Mr. Coppola said that the plan is to use the Armory as a Community Center for adults and they will also be giving some office space.

There was discussion on the bonding for Olson Drive and if the City could purchase the land. Ms. Lindgren said that it would be a perfect spot for a Community Garden.

Mr. Kichar made a motion to accept Mr. Coppola's report. Mr. Lynch seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Reports: Donna Lindgren, Ansonia Nature Center Director .

Ms. Lindgren was present.

Ms. Lindgren said that she is asking for approval of the draft for the Fall Calendar of Events.

Mr. Kichar made a motion to approve the draft of the Fall Calendar of Events for the Ansonia Nature Center. Mr. Lynch seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Committee Reports

There are no committee reports this month.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Kichar made a motion to accept as written and place on file the minutes of the July 2, 2013 Regular meeting. Mr. Lynch seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Approval of Bills

Mr. Puro made a motion to pay all bills presented in the packet for August if found to be correct. Mr. Cratty seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Correspondence

None

Any other business to come before the commission

Mr. Kichar said the September meeting is Tuesday, September 3, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

Ms. Lindgren said that she has requested in the bond issue that the parking lot at the Nature Center be repaired and improved.

There was a discussion on what needs to be done to fix the parking lot at the Nature Center.

Executive Session

None

Adjourn

Mr. Kichar made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Cratty seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo-Lynn Flaherty
Secretary