Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

August 31, 2021



Attendees Present:

Mitch Bregnard; Chairman, Chris Weard, 27 P 3: 01

Mike Weber, Ed Westhaver,

MANSFIELD Linda McCabe arrived 6:10pm Sherri Gurnon; Parks & Recreation Director USETTS

Mary Sellner; Assistant to the Recreation Director

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

2. Minutes of the Recreation Commission Meeting from July 27, 2021.

Motion: By Mike Weber to approve the Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes from July 27, 2021 as written. Seconded by Ed Westhaver. Motion passes, 4-0.

3. <u>Visitors</u>: No visitors

4. Facility Requests:

 Mansfield Youth Flag Football- Tom Flinn Memorial Park- Lower Memorial Field Saturdays- September 11-November 28, 6:30a-5:30p Sundays- November 7, 14, 21, 6:30a-5:30p Fridays- October 1 & 29, 4:00-8:30pm

 Special Olympics Soccer Practice- Brenden Clark Plymouth Street Turf Field Sundays- September 5-October 31, 4:00-5:00pm

 Hogs FC- Daniel Cooper Hutchason Field

August 22, 29; September 26; October 3, 24, 17, 8:00-10:00am

Randy Tatum Social- Nicole Burch

Memorial Park Picnic Area

September 12. 1:30-6:00pm

Sherri notified the Recreation Commission that this request is on the Select Board's agenda for September 1.

5. Old Business:

- Sherri Gurnon informed the Recreation Commission that the Plymouth Street Playground is in good shape for getting the work out to bid in November.
- · No updates on the Program Room. The Town is waiting on a grant decision to decide what direction to go with regarding 50 West St. and COA's move there.
- Ms. Gurnon stated that there is nothing new regarding the Memorial Park Master Plan.
- The schools have not decided on our use of the schools for volleyball and basketball. Sherri alerted the Commissioners that we are not doing an indoor craft fair or Halloween Parade.

Both events are large gatherings which need to be avoided as cases are rising again. We will offer, again, a Halloween Egg Hunt and a Fall Outdoor Craft Fair on Oct. 2.

6. New Business:

Sherri Gurnon updated the Recreation Commission on the following programs:

- Mansfield Little Kicks was capped at 70 and is full.
- Pickleball League / Program Director is being sought. It has been posted on Facebook and at the Council on Aging. It will run 8 weeks. The program is limited to 30 participants.
- A Summer Camp refund was requested by a parent who had a child registered for camp who could not attend as he had tested positive for COVID. All of our programs have a "No Refund, No Exceptions" clause on every registration form. Mitch Bregnard cautioned the Recreation Commissioners that if we give this refund, we could be opening the door to other reasons to refund.

Motion: By Mike Weber to not approve the refund as requested. Seconded by Chris Leard. Motion passes, 5-0.

- Summer Camp season ended with full weeks, yet short staffed all summer.
- September New Year Photo Challenge- Memorial Park
- Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 28, 6:00pm
- 7. Next Commission Meeting: Tuesday, September 28, 2021 6:00 PM. To be held at the Town Hall.
- 8. Motion: By Chris Leard to adjourn. Seconded by Linda McCabe. Motion passes, 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Recreation Commission Clerk