Recreation Commission Thursday, June 22, 2023 6:00pm

A meeting of the Port Jervis Recreation Department was held Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 6:00pm. The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm. The following were in attendance:

John Faggione, Director Cory Puopolo, Vice Chair

Brandy Figeruoa, Chairperson Dawn Jones Melissa Newhauser, Liaison Stan Buczek

Rachel Duryea, Youth Member Debbie Cunningham Ivan Figueroa, Youth Member Noeleen Casey Tomasi

Absent: Sean Addy

Public Comment:

None

Public Hearing:

None

Approval of Report and Minutes from May 2023 meeting:

A motion to approve the minutes and report from May was made by Brandy and seconded by Debbie. All those in favor:

Aye: 6 Nay: 0 Absent: 1

Executive Session:

None

New Business:

This is Rachel's last meeting as a Youth Commission Member as she will be graduating on 6/23. John wished her good luck and thanked her for her service to the Recreation Commission.

There will be a DRI meeting at the Youth Center on 6/29. This will be a public workshop to learn about the DRI. Part of this grant will work on redeveloping Riverside Park. This will include improving the water tower, a new pavilion, relocation of the stage and bathrooms, addition of pickle ball and fitness courts, as well as lighting.

John recommended Shai Ray-Pringle for the 2nd Senior Rec Leader position. A motion to approve the hiring of Sha Rae Pringle was made by Dawn and seconded by Cory. All those in favor:

Aye: 6 Nay: 0 Absent: 1

The Food Truck Festival planning is still going well. The car show has moved its date for the same night to add to the evening's activities. The firework show should begin at approximately 9:30pm.

If weather permits, the beach should open on 6/26. It will remain open through the 4th, close on the 5th and then resume regular hours.

Summer Youth Programs at Church St., Riverside and the Youth Center begin on July 5.

John reviewed the special events for the summer: Farnum Concert series – 6/26,7/10, and 7/24 at 7pm Riverside Concerts – 7/18, 7/25, and 8/8 at 7pm National Night Out – 8/1 at 5pm Outdoor Movie Night – 7/26 and 8/23 sundown

The Mets game scheduled for 8/11 is sold out.

A trip to see the Jets is scheduled for 9/24 for 1pm game vs the Patriots.

The Youth Center will be closed 6/26 and will reopen for the Summer Program on 7/5.

John has begun working on the Youth Bureau application for 2024.

John is looking for some recommendations for a new Youth Member to replace Rachel Duryea. He would like to have the new member approved at the August meeting so that person can start in September.

Old Business:

The Tri State Pizza Challenge went well. The overall winner was Franico's in Matamoras.

The City is asking for a certificate of liability in order to rent Riverside Park. As a result, we have had less people reserve the facility for private parties.

Melissa mentioned that changes have been made to the Public Assembly Permit that can be found online.

John gave the Youth Center update. Attendance is steady.

Youth Report:

Senior Grad night is 6/22 Graduation is 6/23.

Public Comment:

None

Next Meeting- Wednesday, August 9, 2023, at 6: oopm at the Youth Center

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:35pm was made by Debbie and seconded by Brandy. All those in favor:

Aye: 6 Nay: 0 Absent: 1