

## **Berkley Parks and Recreation Advisory Panel Meeting Minutes 1/9/2020**

**Attendance:** Mike Kerby, John Nicolai, Greg Patterson, Gary Polk, Betty Smith, Joshua Pollard

**Absent:** Jes Alger

**Parks and Recreation:** Theresa McArleton

**City Council:** Mayor Pro Tem Bridget Dean

**Call to order:** 7:01 PM

**Approval of Agenda:** Motioned by Betty Smith and seconded by Gary Polk

**Approval of prior minutes:** Motioned by Josh Pollard and Seconded by Betty John Nicolai

**Public Comments:** None.

### **PROGRAM UPDATES**

New session of chair yoga began on Monday. The numbers have increased being moved into a larger room is being discussed with staff.

The lunch outing to Clubhouse BFD was today. 20 people registered - 18 people attended including. Vacation Camp ran 2 days last week (3 of 5 Dec-Jan dates cancelled for low enrollment) will run 4 days in February for Mid-Winter Break camp has generated over \$10k this school year. Parties/Rentals one rental and one birthday party this weekend also noted 5 December rentals and one birthday. Special Events: All three sessions of Daddy-Daughter are sold out, Mother-Son is about ½ sold out. Youth Programs Jump-A-Rama outgrowing the space there are at least 75+ kids in the 5 classes

Adult Programs: New participants in Tai Chi and all 3 Yoga classes. Dog Obedience starts in a couple of weeks Intro to dog obedience is already sold out with 10+WL

Guitar Lessons start in 2 weeks and we have our first registrant. There are 2 registered for Intro to Tango but it might not get enough to run. The very popular casino trips continue to sell out or come close to selling out.

### **SPRING/SUMMER EVENTS:**

Several events are in the planning stage. The staff is planning a parent's night out even on March 28<sup>th</sup>. These have been very successful in the past. There are also several movie nights being planned. The June concert in the park is being held again this year.

### **PARK PLANNING:**

Theresa gave an update of the budget planning that is starting. New equipment and park updates were discussed. The topic of the concession stand was discussed.

### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Renaming of parks was discussed. It is unclear who would make that decision. It was stated that before new wayfinding signs are installed it should again be discussed.

Euchre tournament/Friends of P&R fundraiser to be held Feb 22 at 7PM at the American Legion. Feb 13<sup>th</sup> there is a Narcan training class being held.

### **Comments:**

Mike K.: Is looking forward to seeing everyone enjoying the parks and events in the new year.

Greg P.: Thanked the staff for all the dedication and hard work, they do a great job with the resources they have. Is looking forward to the events planned.

Gary P.: Thanked the staff for their dedication to the citizens. Wish all a very happy new year.

Betty S.: She is enjoying senior activities and looking forward to many more events this year.

John N.: Thanked all for the hard work they do.

Josh P.: Had a great holiday celebration and enjoyed volunteering at the light parade.

Theresa: Thanked the board for their support. Excited to what the new year is going to bring.

Councilmember Dean: Gave an update on what the city council is working on. She starting to hold meetings to meet with residents to listen to what their concerns are, the first meeting will be Jan 21<sup>st</sup> held at the library at 6PM. She is working on creating a domestic violence taskforce.

**Meeting Adjourned** at 8:02 PM Motioned by Greg Patterson and seconded by Gary Polk