

CITY OF BERKLEY
PUBLIC NOTICE
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
AGENDA
7:00 P.M. December 14, 2023, COMMUNITY CENTER

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

Present: Mike Kerby, Melissa Hammond, Gary Polk, Betty Smith, and Andrew Boring

Also, present: Theresa McArleton, Greg Patterson, Mike Dooley, and Dan McMinn

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approved by Betty Smith, support by Gary Polk

APPROVAL OF 10/17/23 MINUTES: Approved by Andrew Boring, support by Betty Smith

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments

BOARD BUSINESS

1. PROGRAM UPDATES

- Starting our second winter sessions of running program. 2nd session is running and doing well. Karate, and lots going on with the Senior activities (e.g., lunches, concerts, etc).
- Betty shared the luncheon menu from the Senior Holiday lunch, and shared it was a wonderful event.

2. SPECIAL EVENTS

- Officially completed the December events. One of those was the Grinch family movie night occurred. Many families attended. Holiday Lunch with seniors and senior holiday trivia.
- Beginning to prepare for Winter Fest which 2/3 from 12-2. Beginning to get sponsorships from local groups. The event is free, and there will be some Food Trucks there should participants be interested in purchasing food.
- Additional events planned for seniors in January and February.

3. BERKLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT/COMMUNITY FIELD 1

- The district approached the city requesting regarding a 50-year lease to Community Field 1. There are some things to work out with the lease. The decision is TBD.

4. PERSONNEL CHANGES

- Theresa McArleton has accepted a new position. Her last day in the office will be Friday, 12/22/23. She has been with this Department for 11.5 years and has loved and felt grateful for the work that she has done for Berkley Parks and Recreation.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Gary wanted to thank our representatives for helping to get the grant talked about in last minutes. He has felt that Theresa has done a tremendous job with the department in her role. He has every confidence in the current staff that the transition will be seamless and the department will continue to thrive.

- Melissa thanked Teresa for all her work with the department. She is knowledgeable, professional, and has been a pleasure to work with over the years.
- Andrew thanked Teresa for all her work and for making the parks places that our kids would like to go and wished her the best of luck.
- Betty also thanked Teresa for everything she has done. She has made a real difference for the city and for the seniors.
- Mike thanked Teresa for everything she has done over the years.
- Dan thanked Teresa for being a tremendous leader and for all that she has done for the department.
- Greg thanked Theresa for all the work she has done.
- Mike thanked Teresa for all the work she has done over the years. She is leaving the parks and team in a really great place for future success.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:57 p.m.

NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 8, 2024