

**CITY OF BERKLEY**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**  
**AGENDA**  
**7:00 P.M. JUNE 13, 2024 COMMUNITY CENTER**

**CALL TO ORDER: 7:01 PM**

**Present:** John Nicolai, Melissa Hammond, Betty Smith, and Andrew Boring

**Also, present:** Dan McMinn

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Approved by Betty Smith, support by Andrew Boring

**APPROVAL OF 4/11/24 MINUTES:** Approved by Andrew Boring, support by Betty Smith

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** No public comments

**BOARD BUSINESS**

**1. Board Update – New Members/Reappointments**

- New board members/re-appointments take place on Monday at the City Council meeting. Gary is being re-appointed and Mike Kerby is re-joining.
- Election nominations for Chair and Vice Chair will occur at the next meeting.

**2. Programming Update**

- All the spring programming has ended. Very successful spring. Lots of tennis participants, 41 or so participants from the various tennis classes.
- All the summer programming, for the most part has moved outside (e.g., Pilates/Yoga).
- The team is looking toward the fall to plan classes.
- New Rec Program Manager was hired (Bobby Green, who ran summer programming with the Detroit Pistons).
- Delivery of the new bus just occurred (13 passenger). We now have 3 total, with 1 in for repair.

**3. Summer Camp**

- Starts next Monday. Will use Anderson Middle School as the home base. Approximately 115-120 kids between the 3 camps.
- Bobby has been training with staff members (20 returning, hired 10 new people to come in seasonally). Has done CPR training, water rescue training, etc.
- There are some great trips planned – Detroit Zoo, Legoland, and Sealife Aquarium. Swimming at Oak Park Pool (has a zero-depth entry for the younger kids and a life guard on duty). Older groups also going to State Capitol and Jimmy Johns field for baseball.
- Camper ratio is 1 staff person for every 10 kids. Additional staff will be included when going swimming.
- Parent orientation occurred last Tuesday: discussed normal day, field trips, procedures, and time for Q&A.

**4. Summer Fest**

- First event takes place this evening at Bacon Park. Oakland county from 5:30 p.m. with games, and then a Harry Potty Movie.
- First concert is next Thursday, at Oxford Merchants Park.
- Special thank you to the sponsors for Summer Fest: Mom's Club, Dad's Club, Friends of Parks, Hubble Roth & Clark, Berkley/Huntington Woods Youth assistance.

- Still yet to come: Bacon Bash (formally Jaycee Jamboree) and a couple more movies, 3 concerts.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

- Andrew stated there are 4 lights out at Oxford Merchants Park. Dan will notify the Facilities Manager for coordinating someone to replace.
- Melissa mentioned that there have been toy donations at Tot Lot for children to utilize (e.g., toy lawn mower), and inquired as to what could we do at the end of the season with the remaining toys – can those be stored at the Community Center? What about a potential toy bin to store them in throughout the year. Asked whether some of the picnic tables could be moved under a tree for more shade.
- Dan thanked Public Safety for arriving quickly after a slip-and-fall occurred last Friday.
- John thanked the Parks and Rec Staff for doing a great job. He is excited about the new Rec Program Manager for summer programming.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:27 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING AUGUST 8TH, 2024**