

MIDDLETOWN RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

The Middletown Recreation Commission held their monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 7:30 pm in the Recreation & Parks Department gymnasium building located at 393 County Route 78.

ATTENDANCE: Chairman Daniel Higbie, Wayne Hawkins, Shawna Strenfel, Student Representative Keymell Gill and Superintendent Raelynn Bertholf.

Absent: Vice-Chairman Anthony Williams, Dr. Lynnette Williams and Student Representative Gabriella DeJesus.

GUESTS: Alderman Witt

CORRESPONDENCE: Nothing to report.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes from the January 11, 2023 meeting were accepted by Shawna Strenfel, seconded by Wayne Hawkins with everyone in favor.

AUDIT: Program Revenues for:

January 2023 totaled:	\$11,828.00
'23 Grant and Donations Received	\$0.00
'23 Year-to-Date Revenues	\$11,828.00

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: **Personnel** – All fulltime workers working. 1 seasonal employee working with our maintenance. All programming staff is full.

Activities – FREE: Teen and Youth Open Gym Basketball, Teen Boxing, Storytime Come Alive, Youth Fitness and Special Events.

PAID: Young Warriors Boxing Program, Little RECCers Toddler Program, Intro to Boxing, Youth Basketball Clinic, Indoor Soccer Clinic, Martial Arts, Cheerleading Clinic, Crochet Clinic, and Art Classes. Registration for; Spring Break-Dancing, and Spring Break Program.

Special Events – Forever Mine Valentine's Day Photo Opportunity and Winter Festival at Ice-Skating Rink.

Maintenance – Reservoir Trails up-keep and water damage clean up in bathrooms. Garbage removal. Ice Rink upkeep; it is needed multiple times during the week and weekends. Leaf Removal. Removal and install of donation of gym equipment donated by the Enlarged City School District of Middletown.

RECREATION & PARKS COMMITTEE: Alderman Witt updated us about the Maple Hill Pool. Alderman Dr. Johnson and Alderwoman Wray are going to survey not only their Ward but the entire City of Middletown. Wayne Hawkins agrees that the whole City should be surveyed and not just their Ward.

OLD BUSINESS: Celines has worked with the Enlarged School District of Middletown to get all our flyers translated into Spanish. The Winter Festival at the Ice-Skating Rink has been rescheduled for February 18, 2023. Superintendent Raelynn didn't feel the need to increase the fees of the pavilion rentals but with the Commission feels we should especially with the cost of everything rising and not having a increase in years.

NEW BUSINESS: The Assistant Superintendent met with the Skate-Park crew and they are planning another Skateboard contest for the Spring. Ice-Skating lessons are finally underway after 2 previous failed attempts at securing a instructor. We reviewed the Annual Report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:10pm motion made by Wayne Hawkins and seconded by Shawna Strenfel.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 8, 2023** at 7:30 p.m. in the Recreation & Parks Department gymnasium building located at 393 County Route 78.

Respectfully submitted,

Raefynn Berthoff, Superintendent of Recreation