

Citizens Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Meeting of the Citizens' Recreation Commission held on July 13, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room at City Hall, 20025 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan 48236.

PRESENT:

B. Babcock, Chairperson
M. Moore, Vice-Chairperson
M. Miller, Secretary
J. Dansbury, Treasurer
G. Heim
B. Janutol
N. Rennpage
T. Stapleton

NOT PRESENT:

T. Jerger

ALSO PRESENT:

Todd McConaghy and Melissa Sharp

CALL TO ORDER: 7:04 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION made by Ms. Janutol, second by Mr. Dansbury, to accept the minutes of the June 8, 2010 meeting.

MOTION passed by the following vote:

Yes: Babcock, Dansbury, Heim, Janutol, Miller, Moore, Stapleton and Rennpage
No: None
Absent: Jerger

COUNCIL MEETING REPORT:

Mr. McConaghy reported that the City Council has discussed the policy regarding alcohol in Lakefront Park. The current park rules prohibit the consumption of alcohol in the park. The issue was raised by the City Council after the Council was asked to consider allowing alcohol to be consumed at private functions held at the Community Center. The City Council invited park personnel to attend a meeting of the Committee of the Whole to discuss the merits of revising the current alcohol policy at Lakefront Park. Following the Committee of the Whole meeting, the Council expressed a desire to obtain additional information before considering any amendment to the current alcohol policy at the park. The issue will remain on the Council agenda.

The Recreation Commission requested the opportunity to study the issue and provide a recommendation to the City Council before any policy amendments are considered. Mr. McConaghy advised the Commission that he would recommend that the City Council submit the issue of alcohol at Lakefront Park to the Recreation Commission for review.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Sharp reported that summer activities have begun at Lakefront Park. There will be a Senior Club picnic on July 15, followed by a "camp-out" on July 16. Music will return to the pool deck on July 18. On July 22, the pool will be open from 9:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. for GPW swim team party.

There will be a Family Fun Night at the pool on July 30. The city picnic will take place at Lakefront Park on August 7 and the second camp-out, with a Disney movie, will take place on August 13.

BUSINESS AND REPORTS:

- **2010 Perch Derby**

The 2010 Perch Derby was held on June 26. The Derby was successful once again with 140 entries, including 51 children. The number of entries was slightly less than 2009. The Commission will continue to discuss ways to improve the Derby and increase participation. The Commission will consider changes in the start and finish times for the Derby as well as changes in the categories for prizes. Certificates of Appreciation will be prepared and delivered to the community businesses that contributed prizes for the Derby.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Moore raised the issue of open boat wells at the Marina. We have a total of 250 wells at the Marina. Currently there are approximately 80 open wells. The economy was cited as the primary reason for the vacant wells. The issue will be monitored by the Commission to determine what, if anything, can be done to increase well rentals. Mr. Moore also expressed concern regarding certain maintenance issues at Lakefront Park. Ms. Sharp stated that the maintenance issues will be addressed.

The temporary fence at the Dog Park was also discussed. The Dog Park remains on the agenda of the Committee of the Whole. The Commission will review the data regarding Dog Park usage and discuss whether the Dog Park should be a permanent fixture.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Rennpage, second by Ms. Janutol.

MOTION passed by the following vote:

Yes:	Babcock, Dansbury, Heim, Janutol, Miller, Moore, Stapleton and Rennpage
No:	None
Absent:	Jerger

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

The next meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on September 14, 2010.

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