

Commercial Park Advisory Council
Monthly Meeting Minutes
February 16, 2016

In attendance: Orlando Lopez, Ronda Locke, Matt Solie, Deb Milkowski, Ms, Young, Linda Springer, Amy Bilton, Pres, Ruggiero, Jay Ramirez, Sec. Stamatis,

Meeting called to order at 6:30

Proposed Amended By-Laws: Membership discussed the provided proposed amended bylaws and suggested changes to the language:

Strike alternate years for elections. Elections will be held in March.

Quorum shall consist of 4 members two of which are Executive Board members.

Member in good standing definition- attends 3 meetings and or associated events at Commercial and the pocket parks within the past 12 calendar months.

Article 4- Vacancies in the Executive Board shall be filled by special election as soon as practicable before next scheduled meeting if possible.

Meetings shall take place once a month, the exact regular date to be selected by the Executive Board. In the event that meeting date is changed notice will be given notices will be posted in the field house 7 days in advance.

Edits will be compiled and circulated at the next meeting, and distributed within the week.

Item B- Elections

Nominations- Stephen Quan for VP nominated by Mr. Ruggiero

Matt Solie nominated for Treasurer by Ms. Springer

Linda Springer nominated Amy Bilton for President

Linda Springer nominated Jay Ramirez for Secretary

Nominations will be accepted up to the day of the election.

Candidates are asked to provide a short bio for informative purposes to be distributed via e-mail.

Election Procedures will be followed as written.

Supervisor's Report:

Girls 8-10 advanced to regionals

Alex Lawson, Seasonal Rec Leader will be going to City Wide Jr. Citizen

Girls 8-10 advanced to city wide for 2 ball, as did the 13-15 boys.

Heads up for Spring Registration Feb. 23rd at 9am. In person is Feb 27.

Spring Break Camp is scheduled for April 18-22. 2 field trips will be taken...Skating Party will be April 22 and the public is invited from 4:30-6. BuildOn will be contacted for help. Kids will be going on a teen tubing trip March 5th.

New faucets and hand dryers are in the bathrooms! Lockers have been removed.

Thanks to Ronda for Movie partnership agreement which will be Hotel Transylvania 2

Our free Movie in the park outside will be Thursday, June 16th. It was noted that CPS will still be in session.

Park Kids Program:

There is confusion about homework time. Many parents feel there is no defined time and worries about help being given.

Ms. Young says that homework starts at 5pm. Many kids are picked up before then.

Closure on Friday Feb. 12th was not clarified. Ms. Young stated that her staff made calls on Thursday, but many parents (as well as both regular walkers) received neither calls nor any other notice. Ms. Young was not sure why this was, and she stated she would make sure clearer procedures were in place for notifying parents and walkers going forward. Ms. Young said that covering school holidays is a priority.

Public File: Ms. Young will review. She thinks it is all in order.

Friends of Snowberry Report given by Mark Ruggiero...they are pursuing the \$300 grant.

Friends of Superior Report is tabled.

Santa Presents 2016:

Deb Milkowski reports we have about 200 presents left and they need to be relocated in storage hopefully to the ladies restroom. About \$1.25 was spent per present. She brought an assortment of gifts already purchased.

March meeting will be moved to Tues. March 22nd at 6:30, to accommodate the Illinois general elections being held on the 15th.

General thanks to all new participants. Motion to adjourn by Teria Stamatis seconded by Ronda Locke...approved unanimously.