

MINUTES

Troy Recreation Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 20, 2017
4:00 p.m.
Hobart Arena

Members Present: Marty Hobart, President; Tom Dunn, Vice President; Donna Snipes, Secretary; Eric Herman and Doug Jackson.

Others Present: Kenneth Siler, Director of Recreation and Melanie Yingst, Troy Daily News.

The meeting was called to order by the President of the Recreation Board, Marty Hobart.

The minutes of the August 16, 2017 Troy Recreation Board meeting were read. It was moved by Mr. Dunn and seconded by Mr. Jackson to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

The minutes of the September 8, 2017 Special Troy Recreation Board meeting were read. It was moved by Mr. Dunn and seconded by Mrs. Snipes to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

The board reviewed updated Youth Hockey By-Laws that are required to be submitted to Mid Am Hockey whenever they are revised. Mid Am Hockey oversees hockey in state of Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania and Michigan. It was moved by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Hobart to submit the updated Youth Hockey By-Laws to Mid Am Hockey. Motion carried.

The Director received a letter from TL Baseball Boosters who run the concessions at the softball fields at Duke Park. The last contract done with the TL Baseball Boosters was for the years of 2016 and 2017 with the option to extend the contract upon mutual agreement for up to two one year periods. The Director recommends extending the contract for the calendar year 2018 and at some point next year if they intend on extending the contract they will need to submit another letter to extend the contract through the calendar year of 2019. They have done a great job out at Duke Park. It was moved by Mr. Hobart and seconded by Mr. Jackson to approve the extension the concession contact to TL Baseball Boosters for the Duke Park concessions stand for 2018. Motion carried.

The Director informed the board that there are several concerts coming up in the next several months. The concert calendar with the exception of one other thing is solidified for 2017 with one or two events that are pending. Around this time next month the Mercy Me concert will be held. Martina McBride tickets are selling very well as well as Home Free. The Director is working on concerts for the first quarter of 2018. There are a lot of events in place that are annual reoccurring events through the month of May. The Director is looking to add a couple of concert events in the January, February and March time frame. Staff is continuing to develop a schedule in the Bravo Room. The Director feels that scheduling of the Bravo Room will continue to generate other scheduled events.

Staff continues to work on partnership/sponsorship packages with the arena. The Director said as more interested parties come through the building he has learned that there is interest in other areas of the building. Sponsorship offered in the past has been dasher boards, in ice logos and signage in the main arena space. There has been a significant amount of interest in areas around the concessions which are high traffic areas and throughout the corridors. The Director outlined other options that he would like to provide either by themselves or included as part of the package pricing. It was moved by Mr. Dunn and seconded by Mr. Jackson to approve additional partnership/sponsorship options for the arena. Motion carried.

The board reviewed Troy Aquatic Park review for 2017. This year there was a relatively younger staff than in the past several years. There were a lot of first year guards. They did a great job. The Director anticipates a return rate that is about in line with or greater than in the past. Guards usually stay an average of three years. There were no significant injuries. There was a good number of saves every year. The guards and Carrie do a great job with their in-services. Carrie had a significant save this year. One child was revived on site. Programming numbers were maintained closed to where they were last year. There was a significant increase in private swim lessons. Carrie has become very proactive in promoting lessons and is directly involved with providing the lessons. Swim team numbers went down slightly. Overall programming numbers were maintained where they were last year. Total memberships sold were 550. This was the best year the pool has had since the facility was built in 2005. Last year was the second best year. Mr. Hobart noticed that the senior passes have jumped up over the last several years. The Director explained to the board that there is an hour provided for adults only at the beginning of each weekday and a lot of seniors utilize that time to enjoy themselves. That time has been a good option for the seniors. The Director is proposing that the programming fees stay the same, private lessons stay the same and daily admissions stay the same. The only recommendation for changes is for the family, adult and youth passes for next year. They would like to increase those fees by \$5.00. There is continued increase in staffing costs. That will offset the cost for that. Membership prices were last increased in 2010. The Director proposes to keep the senior rates the same. There were some minor changes in the pool rules and regulations. It was moved by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Mrs. Snipes to approve the proposed promotions and proposed recreational program rates. Motion carried. It was moved by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Snipes to approve the proposed rules and regulations. Motion carried.

The board reviewed 2018 proposed budgets for Hobart Arena, Recreation Department, Recreational Programs and Troy Aquatic Park. It was moved by Mr. Hobart and seconded by Mr. Jackson to approve the proposed Troy Aquatic Park Budget for 2018. Motion carried. It was moved by Mr. Hobart and seconded by Mr. Herman to approve the proposed Recreation Department Budget for 2018. Motion carried. It was moved by Mr. Dunn seconded by Mr. Herman to approve the proposed Recreational Programs Budget for 2018. Motion carried. It was moved by Mr. Hobart and seconded by Mr. Jackson to approve the proposed Hobart Arena Budget for 2018 including filling the vacant Hobart Arena Facility Operator 1 position. Motion carried.

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The Director informed the board that there have been two requests for youth hockey refunds because they have determined they do not want to play. The refund policy is clearly outlined in the registration. It was moved by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Mrs. Snipes to enforce the refund policy and do not refund the two youths. Motion carried.

Being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Hobart and seconded by Mr. Jackson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Snipes,
Secretary