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May 7, 2012

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

A regular meeting of the Troy Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held Thursday, November 17th, 2011 at the Troy Community Center, staff meeting room. Vice Chairperson, Janice Zikakis, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Janice Zikakis, Gary Hauff, Orestes Kaltsounis, Meaghan Kovacs, Jeff Stewart, Jeff Biegler and Kurt Bovensiep

Absent: Kathleen Fejes, Tod Gazetti, Stu Redpath

Visitors: Kevin Elliot, Patch.com

Resolution # PR - 2011 - 11 - 01
Moved by Gary Hauff
Seconded by Jeff Stewart

RESOLVED, that the minutes of September 15, 2011 are approved as submitted.

Yes: all 5
No: 0
MOTION CARRIED

New Business

A. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Update—Structure, members. City Council reviewed and as a result of dissolving of Troy Daze Board and Senior Advisory Board, our total members have reduced two positions from the board. Jeff Stewart was approved by City Council to take the vacant position. Council also altered terms of appointments so they all end September 30th. Total of 8 members now. City management has decided to keep the name Parks and Recreation Advisory Board intact as our work overlaps so much. Not as many decisions about acquiring property or naming parks.
B. Election of Officers. Board would like to hear from new mayor and council about future of Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and what their vision is for this board, and hold off on election of officers until February 2012 meeting.
C. Friends of Troy Seniors. Interested seniors who made a nonprofit group to advocate for Troy seniors formulated an agreement in July 2011. They will be operating out of office by senior lunchroom. City provided a phone. If they need rooms for their activities they will receive the nonprofit rental rate. They will be doing fundraisers to bring back, or add new, senior programs. Donations are tax deductible to this group. The sponsored the flu clinic and will set up appointments in 2012 for AARP senior tax meetings.

Old Business

A. Parks and Recreation Status—discussed in new business under board update.

Staff Reports

A. Jeff Biegler. Encore Catering have received their liquor license which will bring more revenue in to Community Center and enable us to increase business in our banquet rooms.

B. Kurt Bovensiep. Milverton Park has senior outdoor exercise equipment at back of park which is having great public usage. December 31st washrooms are being installed. This is all paid through a grant.
Jaycee Park's sidewalks around the bathroom were improved.
Vacancy for Parks Supervisor.
Snow removal for city property and parks is going to be outsourced this year pending city council approval Monday, November 21st, 2011. City staff can concentrate on main road snow removal.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Janice Zikakis, Vice Chairperson

Lynne Lambert, Recording Secretary