

MINUTES
WAYNESVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION
ADVISORY COMMISSION
MARCH 12, 2002

Chairman Kenny Mull called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

In attendance were; Kenny Mull, Dot Evans, Kitty Eaker, Lee Starnes, Wallace Messer, Don Frady, and Rhonda Glance. Also present were; Donald Hummel and Michael Smith.

Kenny read the minutes from the February meeting. Wallace made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Lee second. Approved by all.

Old Business:

Members read the most recent statement from Laura Rogers, the Tuscola Womens **Tennis** coach. Laura now says that it is not clear who was cursing her team, Brad or Bill. After discussion, Don made the motion to change Bill's suspension from forever, to two years, the same as Brad's suspension. Effective October 2001. Also, any problem or complaint leveled against either, at any time, will result in a permanent suspension, no questions asked. Prior to resuming play in 2003, each person is to meet with the director. Wallace second. All were in favor.

New Business:

Athletics.

The men softball league has 18 teams and will be divided into 3 divisions. Play begins April 22.

Adult volleyball is held on Thursday and Friday nights and is getting more players.

T-ball sign-ups will be Thursday and Friday, March 14 and 15, at the center.

Girls Little League softball will play at the Dutch Fisher field with occasional games being played at the pool field on Tuesday and Friday evenings.

Gym use is seeing much more activity during the past few weeks.

The tennis courts are to be repaired beginning in April. Depending on curing time for the asphalt and possible weather delays, the courts could be out of commission for 6 to 8 weeks.

Kitty and Rhonda have agreed to help Donald with the Donnie Pankiw Memorial which is to be placed at the tennis courts. A ceremony is scheduled for late May, after the courts have been resurfaced.

Programs

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, March 23, at the track area.

The March newsletter was distributed. Programs include; yoga, aerobics, self defense, arts and

activities, massage, running club, chess club, and fly fishing class.

Aquatics opportunities include; scuba, swim lessons, lifesaving classes, and water aerobics.

Center Operations

The pools will be closed for annual maintenance work, March 17-20.

Good Friday, March 29, the center will operate on the holiday schedule, open from 7:00 am until 9:00 pm. The center will be open on Easter Sunday.

We had 8,700 users during the month of February. Use and revenues should be on the increase now that our various building improvements are almost complete.

Other

We will host a Cruise-In on May 3 & 4, as part of the Swing into Spring Celebration. Vintage autos, food, crafts, and even a drive-in movie will be set up.

Special Olympics will be held at the track on May 3.

Senior Games will be held May 6-10.

Other Business:

Some folks have inquired about the possibility of marking the two outside lanes of the track for bicycle and in-line skate use. Discussion centered around the liability and control issues.

Things with wheels present a liability which cannot be controlled even though the lanes are marked. The same problem came about at the middle school track when a pedestrian was run over by a bicycle. People need to know that they can walk the track without having to watch out for people on wheels who may or may not run over them. The trail is available for wheeled use and people can make a choice as to whether they want to share it with people on wheels.

Wallace made the motion to keep the track for pedestrians only. Kitty second. All were in favor.

There being no further business, Don made the motion to adjourn. Rhonda second. All approved. Time 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Smith