

MINUTES
WAYNESVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION
ADVISORY COMMISSION
AUGUST 13, 2002

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

In attendance were; Kenny Mull, Kitty Eaker, Ed Moore, Don Frady, Wallace Messer, Lee Starnes, Rhonda Gance, and Dot Evans.

Also present were Scot Worley and Michael Smith.

Guests were; Joe Hickman, Mrs. Hickman, and Pat Elder.

The commission did not meet in July so there were no previous month minutes.

Old Business:

Joe Hickman was there to inform the commission that Mary Feichters bridge club was meeting from 12:30-4:00pm instead of 11:30-3:00pm. He is concerned that this is taking up valuable gym time from the youth. Also, Mary has had 6 1/2 tables set up in the gym instead of the cafeteria as was outlined in our letter to he and Mary. After much discussion Joe dismissed himself hoping that we will be more considerate of the needs of the youth. Scot will monitor the bridge hours to insure that we are making the best use of the center, for all concerned. We will continue to be in touch with the needs of our users and to modify our schedules as we see fit.

New Business:

Members had received a memo from Mike explaining the reasons for asking for our aquatics supervisors resignation. A follow up discussion centered around some of the reasons why, some of the various rumors that have surfaced, and some of the latest concerns by the parents. Being a personnel matter specific reasons will not be discussed. The decision is final that this employee will not come back to work with the town. Mike will meet with him concerning the possibility of him coming back as the swim coach only. Terms, rules and guidelines will be outlined to insure that this will be successful and that we can work together for the good of the children while promoting good public relations.

Kenny called for a motion of support for the steps that Mike has taken concerning the aquatics supervisor. This position requires excellent and on going public relations skills and habits. These skills and habits were not being realized to the extent needed in order to promote a positive image to the public. Wallace made the motion and Lee second. All were in favor.

Copies of the August news letter was distributed.

Horse riding lessons held in July were an unexpected success, as 73 youth participated. After school lessons are planned for September.

Ballet classes by Ms. Cloutier are scheduled for Wednesday and Saturday in September.

Yoga classes were canceled by the instructor.

Intermediate aerobics classes are continuing.

There are 18 teams in the men softball league with 3 divisions. They play Monday- Thursday.

Youth basketball will be coordinated with the county recreation department to better meet the needs of the different age groups.

Kitty asked about some high school students having a weight lifting class in the weight room.

Tim Plowman will follow up.

There being no further business, Lee moved we adjourn. Don second. Approved by all.

7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Smith