

NEW FREEDOM RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

JUNE 2, 2022

IN ATTENDANCE:

M. Michels - President
R. Garvey - Secretary
S. Boyle - Treasurer
L. Zapach
K. Butcher - Mayor
E. Rearich - Councilwoman
R. Ross - Councilman

CALL TO ORDER: M. Michels at 7:00 PM.

APPROVE MINUTES: M. Michels made a motion to approve the May minutes as written. S. Boyle seconded, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Our beginning balance was \$15,454.58. The ending balance is \$15,754.79.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENT: A meeting was held with Andrew Bobby, Erica Rearich, Ryan Ross, Andrew Shaffer, Marianne Michels, and Richard Garvey. The purpose of the meeting was to improve the relationship between the Recreation Commission and the Borough Council. It was decided that both groups would work toward opening lines of communication so that we can move forward and have a better working relationship and do what we are in office to do - Serve the Community. It was also decided that the Recreation Commission is not responsible for raising funds for projects. The meeting went well and was productive.

PUBLIC COMMENT: K. Butcher stated that it has been brought to his attention that there are some problems with parts of the floor in the Community Center. He will have Public Works investigate.

FARMER'S MARKET: From all appearances and conversations, the Farmer's Market was a huge success. The Market was held in conjunction with the Community Flea Market and the Rose Fire Company barbecue. Melissa reported that foot traffic was good and a couple of vendors sold out of most of their wares. We did have a few vendors back out due to the weather forecast. There are approximately 10-12 vendors signed up. The Borough purchased an electric sign which can advertise the Market. The sign was put on Main Street for the days before. It appears that it was very helpful.

It has been decided to hold the Market weekly until the end of October. Kim Butcher is reaching out to Rose Fire Company to see if they will sell Hamburgers and Hotdogs the 2nd market of the month to help build the market and to benefit themselves.

TENNIS: The summer Tennis Program started on May 31st. There are twenty participants and more are anticipated. Gross income collected is \$1,270. There is one assistant, E. Goodfellow, and one parent, C. Peters who will assist as needed. Clearances have been received.

Adult Tennis will start on June 4th and will run every Saturday from 9-10 until it becomes inclement.

PICKLEBALL: Pickleball continues to be a successful program. We had twenty participants and netted \$45 after paying the usage fee to the Borough. (Gross Income - \$360 - Less \$315 for Community Center Fee).

PARADE: S. Boyle has mailed out the Parade registrations. Andrew Bobby has spoken with the VFW and has secured the Color Guard. All will need to be available to assist. The Parade will be held on July 9th, starting at 4:30 PM. The Honorable Kim Butcher will be the Grand Marshall.

CONCERTS IN THE PARK: M. Michels is in the process of mailing the sponsorship flyer and cover letter. R. Garvey reported that there will be two beer vendors available for the concerts. Gill Ice is not available for the first concert and it was decided to have the Recreation Commission provide dessert along with our other food if Bonkey's is not available to fill in for this concert. The Lion's Club has given us permission to use their cooking facilities. M. Michels made a motion to spend up to \$1500 for the food. R. Garvey seconded, motion carried. The 3rd concert is still up in air and an alternative of Karaoke in the Park was suggested.

VETERANS DAY: The Community Center has been reserved for November 10th, starting at 5 PM.

PARKS: It was reported that the Parks have been very busy.

CHILDREN AND TEEN: No report.

ADJOURNMENT: M. Michels made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 PM. R. Garvey seconded, motion carried.