

City of LaVista
Park & Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes
December 19, 2007

A meeting of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee for the City of LaVista convened in open and public session at 7:03 p.m. on December 19, 2007. Present were Recreation Director Scott Stopak, Chairperson Greg Johnson, Chris Kuehner, Randy Cahill, John Vendetti. Absent: George Forst.

A notice of the meeting was given advance thereof by publication in the Times on December 13, 2007. Simultaneously given to the members of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of the notice is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice to the members of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to attendance of the public. Further, all the subjects included in said proceedings were contained in the agenda for inspection within ten working days after said meeting, prior to the convened meeting of said body.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Johnson called the meeting to order.

Seconded by Committee Member Kuehner. Motion carried.

Recreation Director Stopak led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recreation Director Stopak made an announcement of the location of the posted copy of the Open Meetings Act for public reference and read the Emergency Procedures Statement.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

Chairperson Johnson made the motion to approve the consent agenda.

Seconded by Committee Member Vendetti. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM RECREATION DIRECTOR AND STAFF

Recreation Director Stopak reported on the holiday hours of the Community Center. The Center will be closed on Monday, December 24th and on Tuesday, December 25th. For New Years, the Center will close at 5:00 p.m. on New Years Eve, December 31st, and will be closed on New Years Day, January 1, 2008. Stopak also informed advisory board that the new position of Program Coordinator has been filled. The new employee, Eddie Burns, has a Recreation Management Degree from Wayne State. He will join us at the Recreation Dept. beginning on January 2, 2008. He will begin working 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. shift, then will switch to a 1:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. shift. This will enable him to train for his new position. Stopak also reported that the employees have received a facilities survey to report what they think is needed for their departments and facilities in the future.

Assistant Recreation Director David Karlson offered Creighton Basketball tickets for Saturday night for anyone who would like to attend. Tickets were donated by a past youth coach, Bill Demarinis.

Program Director Carstensen stated that Santa's Calling was a big success this year, and even had to be extended into a 3rd evening. Approximately 85 kids were called by Santa this year (Rich Carstensen and David Karlson). Carstensen also updated some events coming up: Senior Valentine's Luncheon will be on Thursday, February 14th, and the Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 22nd.

B. SWIMMING POOL

Director Stopak commented that we will not get results of the city-wide survey until all are returned.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

No comments.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

No comments.

Stopak reported that Randy Cahill and John Vendetti were appointed to another two year term on the Advisory Board. Chris Kuehner will not be renewing his position on the board, so there will be an opening for a new member. Stopak thanked Kuehner for his service to the board for the past two years.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Johnson made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Chairperson Vendetti. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.