

Minutes of a Meeting
Of the
BROOKLYN RECREATION BOARD
December 19, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by Kevin Tanski.

Roll Called:

Kevin Tanski	-	Present
Alison Rafter	-	Present
Rebecca Byndas	-	Present
Ryan Kelber	-	Present
Robert Hennings	-	Present

Motion by Rafter and seconded by Byndas to approve the minutes dated, October 17, 2016:

Vote resulted:

Yes – Tanski, Rafter, Byndas

Abstain – Kelber, Hennings

No – None

Manager Mrs. Maria McGinty gave the following report:

Revenue Reports

Every program made money except for Fall Soccer. We are not offering Fall Soccer next year. Rafter asked why. We just didn't get the numbers for enrollment. The Club Team has nothing to do with the Recreation Center but their numbers were down too. We will still do the fields for them. Ice Skating took in \$5000.00, Skate Club \$279.00, Day Camp \$3000.00, Basketball \$800.00, Spring Soccer \$74.00, Learn to Swim \$21,000.00, Swim Team \$3000.00, and Lifeguard \$1000.00. Another thing we need to look at is the Soccer Director's fee. We are looking into having an intern run all the programs and pay them less. The Travel team is in a league and they are on their own. Kelber asked if the only Goal is to make money for the programs. Now it is – there is no other choice. It use to be a service. Rafter said that if we keep cutting services people will not want to live here. We talked to Brook Park today about a volleyball program with them. The clubs are taking away from the recreation programs because they are more competitive. Maria wants the members to email her with ideas.

Budget Cuts

There was a budget meeting with council and they want 10-20% cut in services. Here are some of the ideas:

- Pool closing on Sundays would save \$26,000.00.
- Pool closing 1-4pm Monday-Friday during school year would save \$14,000.00.
- Ice close between 1-3:30pm closes the lights down and would save \$4,000.00.
- Pool closing at 8pm Monday-Friday already implemented.
- Minimize staff.
- No Fall Soccer saves \$4,000.00.

- No summer ice monitors or pool attendants. Will use the Youth Program more but only hire 3.
- The Ice will be down in May for repairs.
- The holiday closings are only the major ones now and the smaller ones after the new brochure out by Memorial Day. Three more holidays will save \$5,000.00.
- The total saving is \$80,000.00 but not enough.

Soza Fitness and Wellness

Propose to the board about Soza Fitness to partner with us. They want to do a group fitness class on Saturdays to start with and then add another day later on. This is geared to younger people. They would charge their participants and then pay us a room rental fee. They will provide us with a free trainer 2 days a week. The board agreed to charge their members \$3.00 with the free trainer trade off. They will post a monthly calendar to show what class and what trainer is there each day of the month.

Ordinances

The participants have to pay to be in the Ice show by ordinance. It will be \$10.00 for a Learn to Skate student and \$15.00 for Brooklyn Figure Skater to participate and also family member fee. There is also an ordinance to change the skating general admission fees with the new brochure. Our Ice Rental fee now is at the highest at \$200.00. The ordinance will be a range between \$140.00-\$500.00.

Open Forum

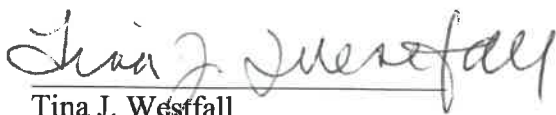
Tanski asked how many Parma/Parma Heights members come here and how many Brooklyn residents come here. There are 950 Brooklyn residents but we also have 700 Silver Sneaker members that we don't know how many are Brooklyn residents. We are going to put in the computer the addresses of the Silver Sneaker members to see how many are Brooklyn residents. Kelber asked about the advertizing which we got 2 banners in the Ice Rink for 6 months during the hockey season. Kelber also asked if the Pool is making any money. During the winter months the swim teams use all lanes and after 4pm the lanes are full. More residents use the pool then the ice rink. Tanski said the creation of the city center would be the City of Brooklyn and the Brooklyn School Systems savior. The idea is to have a downtown Brooklyn. Friday Night Basketball starts on January 13, 2017. Second and third graders start at 6-7pm and 4, 5,6th graders play from 7-8pm. The Buddy Basketball is free on the second court so the workers don't sit around waiting for the next group. The Nature Works Grant is due May 1st and we only have to put in 25% for 1 field with the school.

MOTION by Byndas, seconded by Kelber to adjourn at 7:44p.m.

Vote resulted:

Yes-Tanski, Rafter, Byndas, Kelber, Hennings

No-None


Tina J. Westfall
Secretary


Rebecca Byndas
Board Member