

YOUTH BUREAU ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

DATE: MARCH 9, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Youth Bureau Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, March 9th at 4:30 PM at the Youth Bureau in the Conference Room.

Commissioners present: Ryan, San Jule, Schaap, Tobin, Underwood

Commissioners excused: Eberhart, VanGorder, Wright

Others present: Director McNerney & Assistant Director Scott, Andrea Piedigrossi

The minutes of the previous meeting, Financial, Director, Assistant Director, Recreation Supervisor, and Youth Services Activity Reports were read and accepted as part of the regular meeting.

Since there wasn't a quorum, there were no motions made.

The bills were gone over and approved in the amount of \$6,104.60.

John introduced Andrea to the board. She is the new Recreation Supervisor.

John reviewed minutes from the previous meeting. Allison asked if someone from the Sheriff's Department could serve on the board. John said yes, as long as they are city residents. Chris Gambitta, Tim Armstrong and Chris Barber are potentials. Any interested people should talk to John and fill out the application on the city web site under "commissions." John reviewed the bills. He mentioned the bill for Johnston Paper for \$929.88 is for all the paper products, garbage liners, etc. for the summer park program.

There is a new purchasing policy this year. Anything over \$1,000, we need to get three quotes before making the purchase. This is according to the new Finance Director, Bryan Gazda, and the city auditors.

Before going to the monthly activity reports, John talked about the problem at Wickwire Pool.

It is not holding water. Three engineering firms are coming in to give their opinions about what the problem is and how it can be fixed. John hopes to have more information by the end of March. Chad asked if there are any contingency plans in place. At this time, there are no contingencies in place, but John is looking at other options for swim lessons. John promised to keep the board apprised of all developments.

John reviewed his monthly report. Opening weekend for Lacrosse is June 18th & 19th at SUNY Cortland. There's lots of prep required. John mentioned that Bryan Gazda was

placed on administrative leave by the mayor. John said that the Youth Bureau has had no issues of any significance with Bryan. He has done a good job for us. In April, John hopes to give an update on the construction of Beaudry Park Building.

Andrea's Report: Andrea reported that there will not be an Arts in the Park series this year due to budget cuts. But, there will be two outdoor movies this summer and the standard summer concert series on Thursday nights. Allison asked about the commercial that the Health Department put together. Andrea will send the board the email link to the commercial. It turned out really well.

John re-introduced Andrea to the board and gave a little background on her. She is a Recreation Major from SUNY Cortland and grew up in Cortland. Andrea handed out a sample of the summer brochure that she compiled, looks great! Andrea wrote a mini grant to the Community Service Club (CCSC) for funds for the Fun for Tots program to purchase new toys.

Bob asked about the Corn Ducky Derby on May 1st at Suggett Park. The Corn Ducky Derby raises the money for the Community Services Club. John will have tickets for sale at the Youth Bureau.

John handed out information from the meeting that was held with city and county officials concerning the cleaning and oversight of the gymnasium. John made a suggestion that the county maintenance department take care of the cleaning of the locker rooms and bathrooms, and the Youth Bureau maintenance will take care of the gym floor. John wants the board to know that the City Youth Bureau continues to oversee the rental of the facility, but the issue of the cleaning has not yet been resolved. In the letter to the mayor, John also recommended several upgrades that are needed at the facility.

The revenue will still be split equally between the city and the county. The county has asked that John give them a yearly summary and accounting of the revenue.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM.