

## YOUTH BUREAU ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

DATE: 9/14/10

The regular meeting of the Youth Bureau Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, September 14, 2010 at 4:30 PM at the Youth Bureau in the Conference Room.

Commissioners present: Eberhart, Ryan, San Jule, Schaap, Steele, Tobin

Commissioners excused: Chad Underwood

Others present: OCFS Representative Tom Mitchell, Common Council member, Tom Michales

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.

On a motion by Commissioner Eberhart, seconded by Commissioner San Jule, the minutes were approved.

On a motion by Commissioner Steele, seconded by Commissioner Eberhart, the Youth Bureau bills totaling \$13,246.64 were audited and authorized for payment.

Other Business:

- A. John reviewed the status 7110.402 motor repair line. There is only \$1,968 left. This is a little bit of concern. 7310.411 (Teen Center utilities) has only \$1,386.38 left for the rest of the year.
- B. John reviewed this month's bills: \$1,000 for postage and freight, Johnston Paper for \$1,219.09 for paper products and soap, etc., Frey Technologies bill for \$4,257.00 for chlorine for Wickwire Pool.
- C. John's Report: New scoreboard at Dexter Park was a donation by the local fraternal organizations. Tom asked about the Fran Tokar Golf Tournament. This has not taken place yet. Fran will not attend this year. The request for the contract with Cortlandville for 2011 is increasing from \$70,000 to \$90,000. We are in the process of collecting data for all of our programs as to where participants live so we can share this information with Cortlandville to justify the request of \$90,000. Over 20-25% of participants in Youth Bureau programs live in Cortlandville.
- D. Cecile's Report: Cecile mentioned that the exhibit entitled "One Hundred Years of Sports History" went well and that she and the director of the Historical Society, Mindy Lesenring, will probably set up the same exhibit during next summer's Jets Camp. Cecile mentioned that she is looking for more pictures of female athletes to

add to next year's display. Tom mentioned contacting Norma Riley and Cindy mentioned Toni Toberzi. Debby Rush is a famous diver who should be included next year.

- E. Andrea's Report: John handed out the new fall/winter brochure which Andrea produced "in house." It turned out fantastic. Cindy asked how the job fair went at SUNY Cortland. John said it went very well and the Youth Bureau was able to find coaches and refs for all the fall sports. There are 207 kids signed up for football, 129 cheerleaders, and 133 soccer players.
- F. Teen Center Report: The Skate Park hours have been cut back now that school is back in session. John mentioned that Heather is working with Rosie Rosenthal to start a new program. Rosie is refurbishing amps and guitars and then these are loaned to teens for 6 month sessions.
- G. John mentioned that Makenzie (Americorps volunteer) is planning a day trip to New York City in December to see the Christmas decorations.
- H. John handed out the proposed 2011 Operation Budget. He pointed out some of the items that have been added back into the budget:
  - \*Arts in the Park
  - \*Splash Pools at Beaudry and Dexter
  - \*Parks maintenance mowing position
  - \*additional Skate Park hours
- I. Chrissy asked about the change in the baseball supervisor position from \$1,500 to \$500.00. This is due to the Crown City Little League taking over the baseball program. The \$500.00 left in the budget is for a supervisor to run the summer baseball camp.
- J. For the new Beaudry Park Building, \$5,000 was added to the 2011 Budget for equipment such as tables, chairs and recreational equipment. The budget also includes a new roof for the Randall Park bathrooms.
- K. Board Members unanimously endorsed the proposed 2011 Budget prepared by John. John handed out the proposed 2011 Capital Budget. He mentioned that he and Andrea will be compiling photographs and more information about each project listed in the Capital Budget.
- L. John mentioned that Forrest Earl, a member of the noon time Rotary Club, approached John about the Rotary Club raising funds to renovate the Rotary Shelter at Suggett Park. This is currently an item in the Capital Budget for approximately \$6,000.

- M. John introduced Alderman Tom Michales who attended the meeting to discuss the Beaudry Park Bulding project and share concerns expressed by some of his 8<sup>th</sup> Ward constituents. John addressed the various concerns expressed, including the fact that the size of the building has already been reduced twice. Total square footage of the building now stands at 2,040 with a meeting room space of 23 x 24 feet. This meeting room space can be utilized by all 8 Common Council members for meetings and programs. The space will also be rented out to community residents for things like birthday parties and to community groups for meetings. The revenue from these rentals will be a great asset to the city. Currently, the Burch Building in Suggett Park is the only park building that is rented to the public and it is constantly booked for weekends with many people being turned away due to the bookings. John also mentioned all the Youth Bureau activities that take place at the Beaudry Building that will be greatly enhanced by the new facility. Tom Michales expressed a better understanding for the project and is in support of moving forward with the current building plans.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cecile Scott