

## YOUTH BUREAU ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

DATE: 11/8/11

The regular monthly meeting of the Youth Bureau Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM at the Youth Bureau in the Conference Room.

Commissioners present: Gambitta, San Jule, Steele, Tobin, Wright

Commissioners excused: Eberhart

Others present: Director McNerney & Assistant Director Scott

The minutes of the previous meeting, Financial, Director, Assistant Director, Recreation Supervisor and Youth Services Activity Reports were read over. Since there wasn't a quorum, no motions made.

The bills totaling \$9,058.98 were looked over.

Other Business:

- A. Reviewed minutes. Ang asked about the graffiti gangs on the East and West sides. John said Officer Reyngoudt is working on it and thanked Ang and Morgan for their help.
- B. County Youth Bureau update. The hearing will be November 14<sup>th</sup>. It looks like the County Youth Bureau will be dissolved and their functions will be taken over by the County Health Department. John is concerned about the future of the Babe Ruth program which is now run by the County Youth Bureau.
- C. Bob asked about the new Finance Director, Mack Cook. John continues to be impressed by Mack, he is very involved with all departments and very hands on.
- D. John thanked Mary Wright for taking on the matter of researching the naming of the Beaudry Park combo field. Mary's mother-in-law, Anita, came up with a wealth of information from the Historical Society files. John sent the information to Lum Cooper and suggested possibly naming the building after Greg Partigianoni rather than the field, which will continue to be called Reilly Field, after Ray Reilly.
- E. John's Report: The no smoking signs are up in the parks. There have not been any issues so far. Over 300 attended the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Small Fry Football Banquet. Robert Drummond was the speaker and he did an excellent job. Meldrim bathrooms have been repaired. Continued to work on the 2012 Operating Budget with Mack Cook. Continued to work with Ann Hotchkin on the EPA Grant for Wickwire Pool renovations.

- F. Cecile's Report: Continued to work with Carbon Copies to produce the new East End Center cookbook and calendar. The calendar is a joint project with the County Historical Society.
- G. Andrea's Report: Continued supervising Soccer, Cheerleading, Volleyball and Fun For Tots program. Did weekly shopping for Small Fry Football Concession Stand. Interviewed and hired coaches for Basketball program.
- H. Youth Center Report: The Teen Center is going well. Matt held an Appreciation Night with pizza and wings for the kids who helped with the 2011 chicken BBQ fundraisers. Carved pumpkins with the kids for Halloween. Continue to have open gym at the County Office building on Thursday nights. Erica assisted a local sculptor apply for two community art grants. If funded, these projects will provide Youth Center kids and their families with artistic opportunities.
- I. Reviewed the financial statement for October. John mentioned that there will be unprecedented series of budget transfers from all departments to cover shortfalls. Mack has also asked department heads to reduce the use of individual printers to save on ink cartridges.
- J. Reviewed bills for October. The biggest expense for the month was the McNeil Development for \$4,000 for Wickwire Pool repairs.
- K. Beaudry Park project update: The original bids came in too high. Decided on Fingerlakes Construction design for steel building to save money. The size of the building is the same if not a little larger. The city will act as the general contractor for electric, plumbing, etc. It will have a green steel roof, concrete flooring and no foundation. John will look into substitute cedar siding for the board and batten siding.
- L. The Wickwire Pool Grant is complete. The governor would like to act quickly on the grants and we might have a decision by January 1<sup>st</sup>. The pool will now have a PVC pool liner that has a 25 year life. Chrissy asked if a salt water system has been considered. John will check into that idea.
- M. Jim Yaman donates money for Yaman Park every year. Jim's concerns are the history of the park be preserved for future generations, safety of the park, landscaping/beautifying the park. He donated \$21,157.00 to cover all expenses. John felt that it was important for the Council to understand the history of Yaman Park so he gave a presentation to the Council. Jim donated 16 acres of land to the city in 1967. The park is named after his father because of his devotion to family. The official donation to the city was on his parents 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Donations have been made since 1967 totaling over \$400,000!

N. Discussion of the non-resident fee proposal. John is proposing a \$10.00 resident fee for out of city residents other than the Town of Cortlandville. This proposal is the result of participation data collected in 2011. The board voted unanimously to support the proposal of a \$10.00 non-resident fee for Youth Bureau programs and rentals of facilities.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cecile Scott