Borough of West Reading Recreation Commission Meeting

Tuesday April 4, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.

Members present: Bethany Bower, Colleen English, John Harvey, Kristin Hawley, Heather Jagielski, Chalain Moceri, Jen Sabol, Rafael Torres

Borough Council Members Present: Denise Drobnick (Chair)

Borough Staff Present: Mike Esterly, Recreation Director

Public Comment

None.

Motion to accept the minutes from the March meeting made by Heather Jagielski. Seconded by Rafael Torres. Motion carried (9-0).

Event Recaps

- Easter Egg Hunt
 - Successful event
 - \$134 earned on concessions

Upcoming Events

- Rides 'N Vibes
 - o Saturday, April 8
 - Will begin and end at Sly Fox
 - Will explore other West Reading spots for future rides
- Fishing Rodeo
 - o April 15, 9am
 - o 31 kids registered
 - Volunteers needed at 8am, meet at front of pool
 - Sell raffle tickets
 - Escorting kids to fishing spots
 - Registration
 - Concessions
 - Raffle prizes: donations of fishing rods from Cabelas, 4 tackle boxes and gift certificates from Dick's Sporting Goods
 - 1 ticket for \$1; 6 for \$5; 13 for \$10
- Dazzling Daughter Night
 - o May 5
 - Location: Firehouse
 - o Have DJ
 - o Décor: Alice in Wonderland theme; need cardboard, paint, cardstock

- o Planning meeting: Tuesday, April 11, 6pm at Borough Hall
- Ticket sales need to be started
- Get info to the Wyomissing School district and Sacred Heart
- Vines 'N Vibes
 - o June 18, 2-6pm
 - Volunteers needed to sell t-shirts and succulents
- Summer Concert Series
 - o July 2, 2023: Pride 'N Vibes/Battle of the Bands
 - Bands needed
 - Willow Creek as a vendor
 - o August 20, 2023: Salsa theme
 - Dancing
 - Dance lessons
- Yoga in the Park
 - Nest Collaborative
 - Gentle, beginner class focus on breathing, mindfulness, meditation, gentle movement; open to all levels, including all age groups
 - o Will begin June 3, 2023
 - o Saturday mornings, 10:30 11:30am (June); 9:30-10:30am (July & August)
 - Donations/pay what you like
- Steal the Glass
 - o Willow Creek
 - o Sunday, July 16, 2023
 - o Time TBA
- Pool Clean Up: Monday, May 8 (5pm)

Rec Director Updates

- Pool Update
 - Still interviewing for assistant managers
 - Pool manager in place
 - Many employees have returned
 - 4 new lifeguards (1 pending)
 - Still looking for more lifeguards
 - Concession staff completely secured
 - Front desk staff completely secured
- Playground Update
 - Playground manager hired (teacher from Reading)
 - Moving to a half day program, no lunch
 - New playground leaders

Motion to change the future Recreation Commission meeting time to 6pm made by Bethany Bower. Seconded by Heather Jagielski. Motion passed (9-0).

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Jen Sabol. Seconded by Kristin Hawley. Motion carried (9-0).

Next meeting May 2, 2023 at 6pm.

Respectfully submitted, Colleen English Recreation Commission Secretary