

**RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
September 28, 2016**

Joint Workshop with the City Commission

Ralph Nunez presented a conceptual plan for the renovation of the park area behind the Community. Everyone was receptive and excited about the proposal.

1. Rec Commission Meeting called to order 8:03 pm
2. **ROLL CALL:** Christopher Budnik, Richard Cook, Jean Russell, Jacqueline Scully, Sue Terpack, Amanda Wahl, Ester Winer, Jason Krzysiak, Scott Pietrzak, Shawnie Stamper, Samantha Jenkins
Absent: Catherine Russell, Sue Terpack

3. Consideration of the following minutes:

- a. Regular Recreation Commission Meeting held Wednesday, July 13, 2016
Motion: Wahl **Second:** J. Russel
Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

4. Public Comments: items not on the Agenda

Ben Hamilton: Treasurer of the Foundation: In support of donating a structure to the city of Pontiac. Makes sense to raise money for something on a larger scale. Does not make sense to raise money to move “old” playground structure.

Jane Mulkulski: Send a positive message to the public. This opportunity of maximizing the last park property that is not developed in this city. Make it more than a large meeting space. Make it inviting, age appropriate, gracious without being ostentatious. Charity should be generosity. If we have equipment that our own children should not play on then we should not be given away. I hope we can go ahead, it’s exciting. I do believe we should donate the equipment.

Chris noted that **Paul Woodward** a resident was concerned about the future of the wellness center in terms of upgrading the equipment. Scott discussed the items that were purchased to have longevity. High turnover is the treadmills etc. The cardio machines are leased we replace every three years. The lease is up in March, so January we start looking at what we will need to replace. We try to avoid the “larger footprint” machines like the rowing etc.

Scott and Amanda discussed air flow of the gym room.

5. Consideration of the future of the Gainsboro Park Play Equipment.

Pontiac is ready to take installation. They have a crew ready to install and accept our donation.

Discussed the three options.

- Donate the structure.
- Relocate the structure to a suitable area within Pleasant Ridge.
- Keep the structure in storage until we find a suitable use.

Esther Winer voiced her opinion that she feels the structure should be donated as a “good deed”

A motion was made to recommend to the City Commission that the structure be donated to the City of Pontiac.

Motion: Wahl **Second:** J. Russel
Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

6. Consideration of the update on the Gainsboro Park Renovation.

Scott said they are working, moving parts all in motion. October 25th Hayride will still be happening in Gainsboro Park.

7. Consideration of the report of sub-committees:

Art Fair November 18-19 we have 12 we usually get between 25 and 30 artists

Health and Wellness-Flu shot clinic, Pool will be closed October 11th, cover will be put in etc. Highest attendance since opening.

8. Other business

Ridger will be out in the mail soon.

9. Adjournment

Motion: Wahl **Second:** Cook
Yeas: 7 Nays: 0