



GENESEO PARK DISTRICT

Advisory Committee Minutes

May 23, 2022

4:00 p.m.

The mission of the Geneseo Park District is to enhance the quality of life in our community by providing a positive recreational experience for all.

ATTENDING:

Brent Starkey, Marty Golby, Melissa Olson, Andy Thurman, Scott Himmelman, Andrew Sigwalt.

- o Absent: Tricia Hull, Jody Newkirk, William Schehl, Joanne Gernant,

FOLLOW UP FROM LAST MEETING:

- The new Recovery Room has been opened since February. It has received a lot of good feedback from those that have been using it. We have been averaging around 30 visits per week for these first couple of months.
- The gymnastics instructors will be getting together in the next couple of months to begin looking at the fall rec and competitive schedules and how they will all work together.
- A lot of our youth programs have been seeing an increase in registration. We are close to being back at most of our pre-covid participation.
- The Rec Department has had some request to look into getting a beginners dance program for the youth.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS:

- Mr. Starkey mentioned the disapproval of the lap swimmers having to exit the pool at 6:55am to make way for the water fitness class that begins at 7am. The reason for the 5-minute early exit is to ensure the staff has enough time to pull out the lane ropes and have the pool ready for the water class.
- Mrs. Olson has enjoyed and mentioned that Shannon's Pop-up classes have been going very well and she will continue to share the events as they come up.
- Mr. Golby commented on how well the free classes for Seniors has been going. He's noticed a huge increase in attendance for the free classes which is good because it bring people into the building that might not otherwise come in.
- Mr. Golby inquired about the pricing at the Aquatic Center. He was informed that the daily admission price is \$8 per person for all ages.
- Mr. Golby noticed that the swim team was practicing again. The Gators are being coached by Mary Faith and Gina and currently have around 35 participants at this time.
- Mr. Golby inquired about the new morning Center Manager. Jim Wayne has started working the early morning shift at the front desk at the Community Center. He has taken over for Jay Heaton who recently retired.

NEWS FROM STAFF:

Notes from Mr. Thurman:

- The Park District recently received some money through a grant to look at putting a playground at the Athletic Field. We are currently seeking public opinion through surveys to inquire which types of amenities we should consider. We will be going out for bids around the middle of July, and we are hoping to begin installation later this fall.
- The Park District is continuing the Free Swim Lessons for 3rd Graders in 2022. The money is coming from a grant and will allow any 3rd grader to sign up for lessons either at the Aquatic Center or at the Indoor Pool this fall or winter.

Notes from Mr. Himmelman:

- The Indoor Pool will be shutdown beginning June 27th for a two week period.
- The Community Center hours will change after Memorial Day for the weekend hours. The Center will be open from 6am – 1pm during the summer and will return to 6am – 3pm after Labor Day.
- The Theater will be getting Top Gun this upcoming Friday. Due to lack of new releases at this time the Park District will be showing free movies Fri – Tues this week to bridge the gap until Top Gun.
- The Aquatic Center is scheduled to open to the public on May 28th.

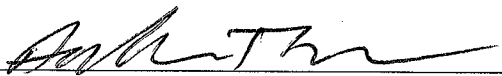
Notes from Mr. Sigwalt:

- The Summer Day Camp program has approximately 70 kids signed up for the first couple weeks of camp. Each week will vary depending on the number of kids signed up for the pick-a-week option.
- The Center has hire a few new Community Center Managers. They will be replacing a few position from one CCM retiring and another being gone to fill the Aquatic Center Managers role during the summer.
- The Park District will be hosting a Kayak / Water Safety course this upcoming weekend. The course will be held at the Isaac Walton League and the water portion will be on the Hennepin Canal.
- The Park District is offering new classes this summer for the youth programs. Some of the newer classes are a S.T.E.M. program, a LEGOs class and a Pokemon class.

ADJOURNMENT

- There being no further business to come before the Committee the meeting was adjourned with a motion by Mr. Starkey and seconded by Mr. Golby at 4:50 p.m.

Approved By:



Andy Thurman, Executive Director
Geneseo Park District