

Centralia Park Board Meeting Minutes (unapproved)
Tuesday, December 15, 2015
Centralia Recreation Center –12:00 PM

Park Board Members Present: Mike Kinkead, Bev Reynolds, Harold Ward, Richard Dickerson, and Harold Beasley.

Also Present: Erle Bennett-Park Director, Andrea Owens-Park Department Secretary, and Matt Harline-City Administrator.

Meeting was called to order at 12:09 p.m. by Park Board President, Mike Kinkead.

Minutes from the November 17, 2015 meeting were approved by consent.

Treasurer's Report was approved by consent.

Recreation Center

It was reported that the Recreation Center currently has 2,723 members. Last month the membership total was 2,708 and last year the membership total was 2,545.

The current six week class session will end Friday, December 18, 2015, with the exception of the new 20 Day Challenge Class that will end Wednesday, December 30, 2015. This session has the following number of participants:

- ❖ 5 AM Aerobics held MWF from 5:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. taught by Emily Hedrick-8 participants.
- ❖ Morning Yoga held MWF from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. taught by Christyne Robertson-8 participants.
- ❖ Morning Yoga held TTH from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. taught by Andrea Owens-9 participants.
- ❖ Seniors in Shape held MWF from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. taught by Christyne Robertson-19 participants.
- ❖ Mom's Fit held MWF from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. taught by Samantha Bryson-9 participants.
- ❖ NEW 20 DAY CHALLENGE class held M-F from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. taught by Taylor Ross and Christyne Robertson-22 participants.

The new session of classes will begin Monday, January 4, 2016. The above classes will be offered again, with the 20 Day Challenge class running a similar format on Monday thru Thursday evenings. The forms will be available the last week of December.

The Recreation Center front desk will be closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve, and New Year's Day. Members who have a 24 hour access card will be able to utilize the fitness center during the holiday hours. Members who will be having a guest visit from outside a 50 mile radius must fill out a guest agreement form prior to the date they will be utilizing the facility.

The Park Director reported that the interior walls of the Rec Center are being painted, and this project will be completed by the end of this week.

Discussion was held regarding holding a Health Fair at the Recreation Center in collaboration with the Centralia School district and Hubbell Power Systems. The Health Fair will be a promotional open house for the community to tour the Rec Center and to try out the equipment in the fitness center, as well as ask instructors about their classes. More information to be gathered and will be presented at a later date.

Park Report

The Park Director reported that work in the Park has ceased other than cutting down trees. The stumps will be removed in the Spring.

Discussion was held regarding ideas and options of where to move the dirt/clay that will be dug up during the process of the pool project. Suggestions were made to create a dirt mound at one of the parks or tear drop, rather than haul dirt away. To be tabled until next meeting.

The Park Director reported that he spoke with two experts regarding the North pond project, and the options regarding draining the pond are to break the dam or pump the water out. Discussion was held about cost and depth of creating a new pond. To be tabled until further information is gathered.

Pool Report

The Park Director reported that the demolition phase of the pool project is complete. Concrete is being poured for steps/ ramp, and plumbing has begun for the Splash playground. The official pool layout plans have been delivered as well.

Bev Reynolds made a motion with a second from Harold Ward to declare the Centralia Municipal Pool diving boards and the old slide surplus property. Motion passed unanimously. The Park Director will follow up with Mizzou Aquatics to research retail value.

Items Which May Arise:

The Park Director reported that there is a need to replace the two oldest upright bikes. To be tabled until next meeting.

Next regular meeting scheduled for noon on Tuesday, January 19, 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Andrea Owens Parks and Recreation Dept Secretary