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Fraser Recreation Commission Minutes City Council Chambers 33000 Garfield, Fraser, MI 48026 TUESDAY, June 4, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m. As Approved July 9, 2024

The regular meeting of the City of Fraser Recreation Commission was held on Tuesday, June 6, 2024 at 7:02 p.m. in City Council Chambers, City Hall, 33000 Garfield, Fraser, MI 48026.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Recreation Commission member Hunt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commission Member Hunt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

PRESENT: Rice, Walker, Koch, Rastelli, Hunt

OTHERS: Recreation Coordinator Delmege

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Koch supported by Rice to approve the agenda of the June 4, 2024, City of Fraser Recreation Commission as presented.

AYES: Rice, Walker, Koch, Rastelli, Hunt

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

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4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Rice supported by Koch to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2024 meeting of the City of Fraser Recreation Commission as presented.

AYES: Rice, Koch, Rastelli, Walker, Hunt

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

5. VOLUNTEER GROUP REPORTS

Sherry Stein reported that Fraser First has a meeting on June 19 at the Fraser Library at 6:00 p.m. She thanked all the Ram's Horn fundraiser participants and sponsors. Tickets will go on sale for their biggest raffle at the end of July. Tickets will go on sale in the next couple of weeks.

Echo Hunt spoke on behalf of the Fraser Beautification Club that met on May 29 at the Fraser Library. Helped DPW updating Web's Wedge and cleaning up and updating downtown Fraser (near CVS). "Weed's & Wine" evening planned for June 12 at 6:00 p.m. at McKinley's Sensory Gardens for light weeding and refreshments. Next meeting will be on July 30 at 6:30 p.m. at Fraser Library

6. ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Recreation Coordinator Delmege started his report with the interview of John Hunter for possible Recreation Commission member. After Hunter introduction, Commission members followed up with questions.

Motion by Koch supported by Rice to appoint John Hunter to the Recreation Commission.

AYES: Rice, Koch, Rastelli, Walker, Hunt

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

Motion amended to *recommend the appointment* of John Hunter to City Council for consideration for membership of the Recreation Commission.

Delmege stated that "Park Clean-Up" was canceled due to poor weather conditions and lack of volunteer support. It was advertised on the website and Facebook but looking to potentially ask the school to advertise for it.

Animal Magic event was on Saturday, May 18. Registration was filled at roughly 160 total people, but only 80 people roughly showed up. Could be due to multiple

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reasons such as Big Bounce America being at Steffen's, Fraser Library event or because the event was free, and people don't lose out on anything by not coming. A city calendar was recommended.

Lions Club Carnival and Fireworks was approved for the next 5 years at our Council meeting. The fireworks have three different quotes of \$15,000, \$18,000 and \$20,000 due to high prices of fireworks and will be discussed and decided by Council on June 13. Fireworks are a split cost between both Lions Club and the City.

A magician show is scheduled for November 2 at 12:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. at the Lions Club Banquet Hall. It will be a free event along with other events like the movie nights scheduled for August and September.

7. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Kyle Tucker from Fraser Wrestling wanted to reintroduce himself to the Commission. Had a great season and had over 70 Fraser student athletes and has a great relationship with Fraser Public Schools. Practice three times a week and competition on Sundays. Fraser Wrestling is a 501(c), fully insured with background checks on all staff. He's been with Fraser Wrestling for 12 years at the High School as the Assistant Coach. He's also the President and Head Coach of Fraser Wrestling. Their numbers went from 50 to 80 as he partnered with schools and Parks & Recreation. Every 30 days they try to have a fun event and support scholarships for some of the children who can't afford it. They start in October and usually end in March/April. Delmege stated Fraser Wrestling has the support from the city and will see a link and advertisement on Facebook/website.

Laura Lesich wanted an update on the parade and to know what's the theme. Delmege stated there wasn't a theme, but asked if there was normally a theme. When stated there is, he said he would work on a theme. Still using the same road and the school for parking even though there's construction on Garfield.

8. COMISSION MEMBERS REPORT

Commission member Rice stated we need to build a better relationship with the schools. Delmege stated that he's been trying to talk to the schools, but ultimately, it falls on him to reach out. He has no problem posting their events on all of Frasers media vehicles. He feels like communication is decent, but that he can try to build it more.

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Commission member Walker talked about the schools doing the free lunches at McKinley. It's an event that happens Monday-Thursday. Walker asked if there's a way to get either more volunteers or internal help keeping the Parks clean during their event.

Commission Member Koch asked how many people we have signed up for the parade. Delmege said he has sent emails to everyone but hasn't counted how many that is. She also said we must advertise in different media vehicles besides the City website, Facebook and flyers and even Peachjar. She also asked about a Drone show if this is something the City could look into having.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Koch supported by Walker to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

AYES: Koch, Rastelli, Rice, Walker, Hunt

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted:

Chris Delmege, Recreation Coordinator
City of Fraser