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Fraser Recreation Commission Minutes
City Council Chambers
33000 Garfield, Fraser, MI 48026
TUESDAY, July 9, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.
Approved September 3, 2024

The regular meeting of the City of Fraser Recreation Commission was held on Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at 7:00 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.

3. ROLL CALL OF RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

PRESENT: Rice, Walker, Koch, Rastelli, Hunt, Hunter

OTHERS: Recreation Coordinator Delmege

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Koch supported by Rice to approve the agenda of the July 9, 2024, City of Fraser Recreation Commission as presented.

AYES: Rice, Walker, Koch, Rastelli, Hunt, Hunter
NAYS: None

Motion Carried

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Rice supported by Hunter to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2024 meeting of the City of Fraser Recreation Commission as presented.

AYES: Rice, Koch, Rastelli, Walker, Hunt, Hunter
NAYS: None

Motion Carried

6. VOLUNTEER GROUP REPORTS

Vania Apps, Fraser First Booster Club President, held an event for fairy doors, well received, decided to leave them at different locations around the City of Fraser businesses. Participants

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have a chance to win prizes such as money with different amounts depending on the location. Though you must purchase something at the business to participate, there are four locations that have a free drawing (City Hall, Library, Jazzercise and Ruffin' It Pet Resort).

July 14 is the "Little Bike Parade" with Moms of South Macomb which helped raise money for a bike keeper at McKinley Park which Fraser First matched their amount raised. Starts at 11:00 o'clock in McKinley Park. Snacks and drinks provided and open to the public. The Fraser Police bike force will lead the event and lead them on their paths. Bikes should be decorated and can be decorated at the event if not already.

Fraser First is also having another event that is a summer raffle where the winner will win two electric bikes. Tickets are \$10. You can purchase the tickets on their website.

Fraser First will also present before the council a rough rendering, "first blush" idea, band shelter/multipurpose building at Steffens Park. They would like to reignite the partnership with the city and educate the community and hear feedback. People could rent it out, or the city could use it for their events such as "Christmas in Fraser".

Fraser Beautification Club will have a table at the picnic on Sunday, July 21, to hand out information about their group to beautify Fraser from roughly 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Next meeting is July 30 at the Fraser Library at 6:30 p.m. They have a designer who would love to move forward sometime in August with their design to spruce up downtown Fraser.

7. ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Coordinator Delmege stated the big item for the month of July is the City's Parade on Sunday, July 21 at 12:00 p.m. He's worked hard on getting to return and new businesses and has roughly over 30 groups. Coordinator Delmege would like to hand out items to the people who come to the parade, such as sunglasses or beach balls, to keep the spirit/mood up. He will put out the games at the carnival (which was approved for a \$25,000 firework display). He turned in the permit for the road closure which looks to be approved and is waiting for final word. He also talked to the Police Director about the road closure and where they'll be barricaded off. Coordinator Delmege is looking for more volunteers besides the ones he already has. He also believes this may be the biggest parade that he knows of that the city has had. There will be a DJ/MC announcing different groups and playing music. Hopefully the road construction on Garfield will start after the parade. Will have an organized order to the parade using Mary's expertise from City Hall and is in good hands.

The commission talked about "Harvest Days" in coordination with the Public Safety's Open House in October. Was hoping we could partner with Public Safety and potentially either have some sort of sale, craft show or face painting to help with their event. Coordinator Delmege stated he can talk to Public Safety and see how we can help and partner with them for their event. Will pass any ideas to the proper people with Public Safety.

Coordinator Delmege talked about the upcoming Archery program. It's \$129 for a one-week session. It starts on July 15-19, July 22-26 and an intermediate class on August 12-16 from 3:00

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– 4:30 p.m. The first session is fully booked, the second session is half filled. Should be no issues with the carnival.

Movies Nights will be coming up on both August 10 and September 14. Free event. Shrek and Wonka will be the two movies. Face painting. Thinking of getting different vendors such as a chocolate vendor for “Wonka”. Held at Steffen’s Park by the soccer fields.

Drop-In Pickleball was started in June and has been a huge hit. 30 people have joined the app “TeamReach” which is used as a communication tool. The courts need to be replaced/repared but isn’t slowing down anyone because people are just happy to play. Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

The Senior Activity Center had a summer barbeque with about 40 senior citizens. American House and Oakmont provided a lot of the food at it was a great success. Had a 20x20 tent rented. Also purchased a 13 X 13 tent. It was \$5 for a member and \$10 for nonmember. Dianne has run a lot of events that are selling out, or well attended, and look forward to keeping it going.

8. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Vania Apps, Fraser First Booster Club, next meeting is July 16 at the Fraser Library at 6:00 p.m. for executive board meeting. Coordinator Delmege stated he would love to be sent their event fliers so he can make posts and advertise for it.

Laura Lesich was wondering where the games would be located. Previously they had been at the carnival, which Delmege stated they could be there again, given permission from Derek from the Lions Club. Discussion on where certain tables and games will be during the carnival.

9. COMISSION MEMBERS REPORT

Commission Member Walker asked if the Recreation Department would be up for a “Free Veggie Stand” for a day. It would be open to anyone. A lot of farmers and people have a lot of surplus and would love to hand them out.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Koch supported by Walker to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

AYES: Koch, Rastelli, Rice, Walker, Hunt, Hunter

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted:

Chris Delmege, Recreation Coordinator
City of Fraser