

City of Truth or Consequences

Recreation Advisory Board

Regular Meeting

5/7/2018 6 PM

MINUTES

6:00 pm Regular Meeting of the Recreation Advisory Board of the City of Truth or Consequences, New Mexico to be held at the Recreation Department Building, 2800 S. Broadway, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico.

INTRODUCTION:

ROLL CALL:

Greg D'Amour, Chair- Present

Destiny Mitchell- Present

Isabelle Sheele- Absent

Ed Ragsdale- Absent

Christie Conklin- Present

*Vice-Chair Mitchell agreed to take minutes in the absence of Secretary Sheele.

Meeting called to order by Chair D'Amour at 6:16pm. Pledge of Allegiance followed.

1. Approval of Agenda- Mitchell approved Agenda, Conklin seconded. Motion passed.
2. Approval of Minutes for March and April of 2018- Minute approval tabled until physical copies could be supplied.
3. Comments from the Public-
 - a. Friends of the Pool members present: Lynn Clinton, Kendal Wochnik, Sally Marshall, Dog Park Rep Carole Wheeler, Bill Fink-interested in Golf, enjoys meetings. No comments.
4. Recreation Department Needs Assessment/Update- Rec Director OJ Hechler said that a Purchase Order was placed to hire a contractor for a timer for the soccer sprinklers. Renee was ordering grass seed for the fields as well. Contacted a man named Rainberg for technical assistance automating parks, maybe one or two each year. They planted C Field the 2nd week in april and were already getting sprouts. Irrigation is not perfect but working on it. THEY are keeping up to date with maintenance and cleaning schedules. Charlie Dixon from Parks really stepped up the game on Saturday for Fiesta, keeping up on trash, bathrooms, etc.
5. Swimming Pool Update- Pool Manager Tammy Gardener updated the RAB by stating that the NMDEH inspection had taken place and that they had passed. She mentioned a

few conditions of opening including proper signage and replacing the temperature sensor which needed to be fixed. She said they also had issues with the PH being out of balance but that it was due to the acid barrel needing to be changed over the weekend and they got it worked out. She proclaimed that swim and drug tests had been administered on several potential staff members, and that they currently hired 2 certified lifeguards, but would need to certify two more, one of which was Elisa Borunda. Mrs. Gardener also said that scheduling was hectic until school lets out, since the two certified guards are currently in school and cannot be open until after May 24th at least. Mrs. Gardener said that she had also been in contact with Ms. Mitchell about lifeguard certifications for the two non-certified guards and they will work out a schedule in the next few weeks. Budget meetings are coming up and Mrs. Gardener proposed to turn the kiddie pool into an office and have a section that was shaded for the public as well. Lynn Clinton from the Friends of the Pool requested a list of items that the City is unable to fund in hopes that the FOP could assist. Clinton also stated that the next FOP meeting was Thursday at 3pm at the Chamber of Commerce.

6. Dog Park development- Wheeler stated that she wanted to give kudos to OJ Hechler for his assistance at the park. She brought up that national dog park day, which will take place on the first Saturday of May, which coincides with Fiesta. Ms. Wheeler stated that many dogs brought their humans out for Fiesta this past weekend, and they all enjoyed the parade. They had door prizes and they sent people to the park for food as they were only supplying dog treats. They are hoping that a concert happening in July will donate some proceeds to the dog park. Vice-chair Mitchell asked if Snoop Dog would be playing the concert. Mrs. Wheeler said that shade was the most important issues in the near future.
7. Other Business/Discussion- Adjournment made by Mitchell at 6:38pm.

Recommendations from Recreation Advisory Board to City of TorC Commission for Meeting Held on May 7th, 2018:

No recommendations at this time.



NEXT RECREATION BOARD MEETING

June 4th, 2018

Recreation Department Building

2800 S. Broadway 6PM