

Wayzata Park and Trails Workshop Meeting Minutes Tuesday, January 24, 2017

Workshop was called to order at 7:35AM by Vice Chair, Borg Babcock, at Wayzata City Hall.

Present: Jim McWethy, Tyler Purdy, Joanie Cunningham, Sarah Randolph, Merrily Borg Babcock as Vice Chair, Dan Baasen as Chair, Dave Dudinsky from the city and Jenny Bodurka and Tim Litfin from the city of Minnetonka.

Board with like to see fishing classes offered.

Discussion about booking fields and sport/ athletic classes. Hoping to use some of the middle school fields.

Looks like Ninja warrior will only be held in Eden Prairie. Program has a lot of set up and the class isn't more than a couple hours and it needs more concentration.

Discussion on adding painting and photography classes and according to the city of Mtka they fall outside of the recreation realm. Park and Trails didn't agree and feels we should offer these. Last year the painting wasn't well attended however they only had 1 offering the entire summer.

Discussion about the number of boater safety classes at 7-8 might be too many. Maybe we should scale it back to 3-4. Do we have enough diversity among age groups?

Tennis is hugely successful in Mtka but wasn't as much in Wayzata. Hoping that with more exposure and some alternate times we will have more interest. Discussion about Bocce ball and the best timing. Seems like slightly later is better and different day offerings. Pickle ball is going to be just intro classes. The league play was not a success last year but hoping intro will be a success.

Swimming is a thing the board would like to see however there is debate about whether the beach is the best place for it. There is discussion about using the Wayzata middles school pool. Plymouth Park and Rec is already using the pool and they have the morning slot. We are thinking of using the afternoon slot and going ahead and offering swimming.

We will offer Beach activities which include beach and water safety day which will be a free class. Then stand up paddle board yoga will also be held at the beach.

In the Brochure we would like them to use the word Wayzata before each park listing for consistency. Wording should match what we have on our brochure.

Fishing at little beach at Arlington circle was discussed to be an addition. Questions about where will people park. Discussion of possible temporary permitting. How long will the class be?? Will people need to park or will they drop off??

Hoping to get a breakdown of ages and zip codes for people participating in rec activities.

Talking about having a kick off BBQ to raise interest. Need to look at Wayzata and Orono school calendar to see what works.

City of Wayzata is going to add one week of life guard service for this summer. One night of the chili open is going to have ice skating inside the lagoon.

More discussion about setting the Wayzata offerings apart and helping them to stand out. Hoping to have something, a star or something to decipher the Wayzata offerings.

Meeting Adjourned 8:37AM