

Springdale Parks & Recreation Commission
Tuesday, February 5, 2013

Tuesday, February 5, 2013, Mayor Doyle Webster called the regular meeting of the Springdale Parks and Recreation Commission to order at 7:00pm. Members present were Steven Brooks, Carmen Daniels and Doug Stahlgren. Also present was Recreation Director, Greg Karle.

Minutes from the January meeting were tabled.

Items of **Old Business** discussed were:

- Mr. Karle said that the youth basketball season is progressing toward tournament time with Springdale hosting four league tournaments. Of the 15 Springdale teams in level 2 through high school, 7 are in 1st place and 5 in 2nd place. In total Springdale teams have an amazing 92-16 record. There was an unfortunate incident of parental behavior (rude and inappropriate language) in a 4th grade girl's game February 2nd. Assistant Director Matt Beaty joined the meeting and shared the information that he had gathered. The parent in question had yelled at the officials and used profanity according to numerous sources. Mayor Webster approved a two game suspension for the parent who was identified as behaving in an inappropriate and unsportsmanlike manner. Subsequent to the meeting it was determined that the individual involved and their child are not residents of Springdale and will therefore be indefinitely suspended from participation in the youth sports program.

The youth volleyball teams are also doing very well this season. They are approaching the ½ way point in the season.

The Winter Racquetball league has begun with eleven individuals entered. Interest is growing in this program with many new people involved. Also, the Women's Volleyball League begun with seven teams entered. This is the largest number of teams in many years.

- AARP has trained their volunteers in preparation for their annual AARP Income Tax Help program. Appointments are one hour in length and are scheduled on Fridays 9:30am – 1:30pm, through April 12th.

The annual Travel Expo took place on Thursday, January 31st. There were representatives from two tour groups, Provident Travel and Joy Tour and Travel as well as the Springdale Senior Citizens Club. There is everything from day trips to 14 day cruises. There were 55 seniors in attendance.

The popular "This and That" program continues on Thursday, February 7th with Clay Creations. Artist Mike Gillman will instruct participants how to create sculptures with your hands.

The February Senior luncheon is a "Breakfast with Red Skelton" on Monday February 25th. Seniors will enjoy breakfast while entertainer Jennings Barnett impersonates Red Skelton and his famous characters Clem Kaddiddlehopper and Willy Lump Lump.

- The Club Rec group will host the Winter Extreme Games-Glow in the Dark Edition on Friday, February 8th, 11:00pm – 1:00pm. Community Center members and their guests in grades 5-8 must register by Wednesday to attend the free event. Activities include, glow in the dark kickball, hide-n-seek, face and tee shirt painting, all in the dark. T-shirts will be provided along with snacks and drinks.
- The Recreation Programmer position has been advertised in the newspaper, Springdale website, and the Ohio Parks and Recreation Association website. Well over 300 resumes have been submitted. Staff has been reviewing them and have identified six candidates to advance to the interview process. The interviews will take place this week.

Sean O'Brien has begun employment as Part-time Parks Maintenance Worker. He is a Springdale resident who has worked in the restaurant industry for a number of years and for the past 3 years has worked part-time at Evergreen Acres Farm where he has gained experience on tractors, mowers and most of the small tools used in the Parks Department. Additionally he has experience lining athletic fields as well as carpentry, masonry, electrical and plumbing skills. An individual has also been identified for the second Part time Maintenance Worker position and is currently undergoing a background check.

Applications are being accepted for the position of Park Patrol. Don Slaughter who had served in that capacity for a number of years has returned in that role and it is hoped that the remaining position will be filled shortly.

- The Springdale Youth Boosters will host their annual Cinema Horse Races on Saturday, February 23rd at 7:00pm. The first race begins at 8pm. The cost is \$6 per ticket. There will be door prizes, Texas Hold'em Poker, Split the Pot and Black Jack and more.
- To assist with selecting a date for a community special event Mr. Karle provided a report listing events taking place in area neighboring communities that may conflict in August and September. There was consensus that the preferred day would be September 14th. Mayor Webster suggested that the members consider the date and that a final determination be made at the March meeting.

Items of **New Business** discussed were:

- The Aquatics Director and Assistant Aquatics Director will not be returning this year. Both positions will be advertised in the coming weeks. Most of the lifeguards and gate attendants have reapplied and it appears there will be three or four openings for lifeguard this season. The minimum requirement is certification in lifeguarding through Red Cross, YMCA or other nationally recognized organization.

To comply with ADA regulations it will be necessary to purchase and install a new chairlift at the pool.

- A new class began tonight called Butts 'n Guts. It's a high energy, tightening and toning 30 minute workout taught by staff member, Elaine Lange. The focus will be on toning core muscles (abs, obliques and lower back), glutes and thighs. All exercises have varying levels and modifications so that everyone will have a challenging and effective workout. The class is free of charge and no pre-registration is necessary.
- Mr. Brooks asked if an alternate route might be considered for the Youth Boosters Opening Day Parade. The members discussed various options and potential ways to increase participation. Mayor Webster advised that they should stay with the traditional route from Value City to Kemper to Lawnview and the Community Center this year and possibly look at option for the future.