

Springdale Parks & Recreation Commission
Tuesday, January 2, 2018

On Tuesday, January 2, 2018, Mayor Doyle Webster called the regular meeting of the Springdale Parks and Recreation Commission to order at 7:00pm. Members present were Daryl Dennie, Rob Hormann, Michelle Miller, Doug Stahlgren and Julie Wright. Also present was Recreation Director Greg Karle.

Minutes from the December 2017 meeting were approved.

Items of **Old Business** discussed were:

- Mr. Karle reported that the youth basketball teams completed three weeks of play before the holidays and will resume play Saturday. The Instructional Basketball teams will begin their season on Saturday. Youth volleyball teams begin games on Sunday. Spring sports registration began today for baseball, t-ball, girls' softball and spring soccer.

Registration is underway for Women's Volleyball and Adult Racquetball with games beginning in mid-January.

The youth boosters will present their Winter Sports Pep Rally on Friday, January 5 at 6:30pm. Springdale players and families will be attending from the basketball, volleyball and cheerleading squads. Princeton Athletic Director, Gary Croley and Assistant AD, Matt Weber will talk about the importance of youth sports and get the kids excited about playing. Mayor Webster will present the induction of three individuals into the Youth Sports Memorial Hall of Fame, Sharon Casselman, Sandy Dunn and Marvin Martin. The sports teams will be presenting the banner they created and will be introduced.

- over the past couple of months, volunteers have been busy training for the AARP Income Tax Help. The free help will be offered again this year beginning January 26. One-hour appointments are available every Friday morning through April 6. The program provides assistance for simple state and federal returns. Appointments can be scheduled by contacting the Community Center.

The annual Travel Expo & Party will be Thursday, January 11. Joy Tour & Travel, Provident Travel and the Senior Citizens Club will provide detailed information on the various travel opportunities for seniors in 2018. They can take advantage of day trips, multi-day tours and cruises, all reasonably priced. Light refreshments will be served.

The January 18, *This & That* program will present "Do Pigs Fly? Only in Cincinnati." Attendees will learn how the city gained the name of Porkopolis and how pigs influenced the development of Cincinnati. This program was originally scheduled for November, but the presenter had to cancel for medical reasons.

- The department is still attempting to fill an open Park Patrol position and is accepting applications for Customer Service Assistant. Susan Spears has notified us of her intent to retire from her position at the end of January.

The Adult/Senior Programmer position has been filled by Sherry Owens. She will begin working February 5th. Ms. Owens has a BA in Business and retired as Director of Development for the Cincinnati Eye Institute and held similar positions for various organizations throughout her career.

Items of **New Business** discussed were:

- The youth booster are planning their annual Cinema Horse Race event for Saturday, February 24. The doors open at 7pm and the first race is at 8pm. Tickets are \$8 and available at the Community Center. In addition to the races, there will be Black Jack, 7 Card Stud, Money Wheel, and Texas Hold'em.
- The Community Center will be open holiday hours (1 – 9pm) on Monday, January 15, in recognition of Martin Luther King Day.
- Mayor Webster updated the commission members on the status of Tri-County Mall and economic development within the City.