

City of Lowell
Parks and Recreation Committee Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday September 5, 2024

Call to Order: 7:06 pm by Chair Joe Brazill

Committee Members Present: Joe Brazill, Tony Moreci, George Wild, Meesa Anders

Approval of agenda by George Wild, second by Anders Pass 4:0

Approval of minutes for August 8, 2024, by Anders, second by Moreci, Pass 4:0

Old Business

Playground Fundraiser The city will order the park equipment soon.

Caboose George will call about a wood worker regarding creating the appropriate boards. Discussion regarding deadline regarding December 31, 2024, deadline and if that is correct or can be extended. There is a caboose in Salem that is the same that is in the process of being restored. Joe will find out if the date is correct and if so can be changed. First step is to repair the windows.

Trees in Paul Fisher Park: The city is trying to water more. The city will purchase new trees and plant them in the rainy season.

Jamming in the Park: Meesa will talk to Samantha Dragt regarding working with the Blackberry Berry jam to have a joint meeting with Parks and Recreation on October 8, 2024, to help manage the process for the music as the Blackberry Berry Jam committee has funds and can use as fundraisers for the Blackberry Jam.

Movies in the Park: Will have a movie in the park on September 21, 2024. We have raised \$700 for the movie. Meesa would like to have movies at the Grange as an option during the wetter months. Found all film equipment and popcorn machines. Will try to raise money for future movies with donations and snack vendors. If we need to cancel, we have one year of the cancel to use the movie per the contract with the movie vendor. There are volunteers to run the popcorn machine. We would like to have another movie perhaps on the holiday weekend such as Thanksgiving weekend.

Plaque for Hall at Paul Fisher park: Discussion regarding plaque for Hall and that we would like to consider changing the name of Paul Fisher to Hall O'Regan. Joe will talk to the city manager as to what hurdles there are to change the name.

New Business

Christmas program: Tony met with Gayle regarding this coming year's Holiday program. Meesa feels like last year was too compact. There was not enough light, and the structures did not suffice. Meesa suggests that we use the stage in Rolling Rock park. May need to start early to get the tree up. Meesa will work on getting a scissors lift. Will try to start early with the process of decorating.

Public Comment

None

Meeting adjourned by George Wild, second by Tony Moreci Pass 4:0