

**Village of Middlefield Recreation Committee Minutes**  
**January 5, 2017**

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The committee met in regular session. Mr. Hornung called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. with the following members present: Mr. Carl Hornung, Mayor Garlich and Mr. Bill Blue.

**Also present:** Ms. Leslie McCoy - Administrator and Ms. Billie Warren – Recreation Director.

**Agenda:** Add dog park to New Business.

**Approval of Minutes:** **November 22, 2016** regular meeting – Mr. Hornung approved the minutes as written, seconded by Mayor Garlich. All in favor: Yeas (2). Mr. Blue abstained.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Department Finances:** Discussion held regarding the budget. The department is over for the year. Ms. Warren stated that the department has some unforeseen costs, such as the league fees for baseball and softball. The origin league closed up and had to find another league right away. The current fees of many programs are not high enough to cover the expenses including the school use fee. There were also some unpaid invoices from when Mr. Dutton was the director. Discussed possibly charging for some of the free program such as the Children's Easter Egg Hunt; possibly \$2.00 a child. Summer Fest has been cancelled in an effort to save some money. Looking at doing an old time Community Day.
2. **Basketball:** The league will start again this weekend after the holiday break. This is the third week and we will host games from 10 am to 7:00 pm. Received complaints regarding the school not allowing use of the chairs.
3. **Wrestling:** Matches are continuing at Madison every Sunday. Reviewed a letter submitted from the school regarding use.
4. **Home for the Holidays Outdoor Decorating Contest:** Discussed limiting the number of years a resident could win. Ms. Warren stated that next year the department is going to do a Halloween decorating contest.
5. **Adult Coloring Contest:** Participation was down this year. There were three winners this year.
6. **Program Survey:** The survey is ready to go on Survey Monkey. The survey will be sent out via email, will be on the website and on Facebook. Discussed a possible incentive to get people to return the surveys.
7. **Dog Park:** Discussion regarding a possible location for a dog park. Possibly use George Knox Park or the west end of Eagle Park. Would like it to be fenced in. Discussed having some kind of water feature

**NEW BUSINESS:**

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1. **Opening Day of the Water Park:** Discussed the opening date compared to the ending of the school year. Look at limiting the days and times that the park is open. Look at reducing the cost of operating the Splashpads.
2. **Adult Egg Hunt:** The Hunt is scheduled for April 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 pm. There will be an increase in the cost this year; charging \$15.00. Limited to 300 presale tickets.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Nothing needed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 12:58 pm.

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