

Village of Middlefield Recreation Committee Minutes
April 24, 2014

The committee met in regular session. Mr. Hofstetter called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with the following members present: Mr. Carl Hofstetter, Mr. Rick Seyer and Mayor Ben Garlich.

Also present: Mr. Dan Weir – Administrator, Mr. Mike Dutton – Recreation Director, and Ms. Billie Warren –Recreation Program Supervisor.

Agenda: Delete #2 under new business of Baseball/Softball Camp, this was discussed at a previous meeting.

Approval of Minutes: *March 20, 2014* regular meeting – Mr. Seyer moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Hofstetter. All in favor: Yeas (2).

OLD BUSINESS: None be for the committee

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Spring Sports Programs –Spring Application Results for Spring Flag Football, Soccer, Baseball/Softball & Martial Arts, Online Registration:** Mr. Dutton stated that all the spring sports have started and the teams are practicing; had to move some practices to indoor due to the weather. Discussion regarding the girls' softball league. Replaced some Baseball/softball equipment that was really needed. Discussion held regarding the Martial Arts Program. A total of 27 people used the online registration for the spring programs. Discussion regarding the Pitch, Hit and Run Program that was held last weekend. Mayor Garlich feel that more effort should have been put into the advertising of the program.
2. **Easter Egg Hunt:** Was very well attended. Only glitch was an early start by a person in the audience. Had enough goodies bags for all participants and had more than enough prizes to be raffled. Mayor Garlich stated that a PA system needs to be used, announcements need to be made frequently during the beginning of the event and he was very disappointment with the outcome and the handling of the event. Discussion regarding having an adult Easter Egg Hunt. Kent and Mentor hold event like this.
3. **Cops N' Kids "Take Me Fishing":** Mr. Dutton stated that this will be held June 14th and the Service Department will be getting the lake restocked. Mr. Hofstetter mentioned that the pond is full of lake weeds. Discussion regarding the fish that will be used to restock Mineral Lake.
4. **CDBG Grant Application for Improvements at Senior Center:** Mr. Weir stated that the grant has been applied for at the amount is \$7,500.00 to replace the windows and one set of doors. Discussion regarding the improvements that need to be looked at for next year. The Department on Aging pays the usage fee quarterly for the usage of the building. Discussed the need for signage; people have issues finding the building. Maximum capacity is about 80 people.
5. **Soccer Program Refund:** Discussion regarding the refund policy. Mr. Dutton read a letter from a parent of a participant looking for a refund, this child is

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developmentally disable. Typically no refund is given once the program has begun. Hofstetter feels that the refund should be given due to the disability. Seyer feels that a refund should be issued. *It is the consensus of the committee to give this individual a full refund.*

6. **General Discussion:** Discussion regarding the background checks and the badges that the recreation department has created for all coaches to identify them for parents.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Garlich moved to adjourn into executive session at 8:40 am to discuss personnel, seconded by Mr. Hofstetter. All in favor: Yeas (3)

Meeting reconvened at 8:55 am.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 8:57 a.m.

(Transcribed by Carrie Ehrhart-Office Asst.)