

Village of Middlefield Recreation Committee Minutes
June 19, 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: Add to New Business: Swimming Pool

Approval of Minutes: **May 15, 2014** regular meeting – Mr. Seyer moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Hofstetter. All in favor: Yeas (3).

OLD BUSINESS: None before the committee

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Baseball/Softball:** Mr. Dutton stated that the season is progressing. Over father's day weekend there was a minors tournament and the Middlefield teams played very well. Mayor Garlich asked if the department does anything to recognize the coaches. Ms. Warren stated that she send each coach a thank you card and they get a free team picture.
2. **Cops N' Kids "Take Me Fishing":** Mr. Dutton stated that the attendance was good, about 70 kids. The police department was a huge help and interacted with the participants and helped the kid's fish. The sponsors were very happy with the number of participants. Discussion regarding the registration process.
3. **Safety Town:** Mr. Dutton started that Safety Town concluded Friday the 13th with a graduation program for all the participants. Thank you cards and pictures were mailed to all the volunteers and presenters. The kids learned a lot and had fun. Officer Thompson was a presenter for four days and did a fantastic job.
4. **ABC Race:** Mr. Dutton stated that this is the 14th year and have met with Mr. Kruse. Will be held July 26th and will start at 8:00 am. The race will return to the original course.
5. **George Knox Park – General Discussion:** Mr. Dutton is looking for any suggestions to increase usage at this park. Mr. Seyer stated that he feels that the majority of residents don't even know about the park. Suggested signage at 87 & Woodsong. Discussion regarding outdoor workout equipment along the trail; perhaps remove the disc golf equipment. Mayor Garlich stated that he likes the workout equipment along the trail.
6. **Pickle Ball:** Mr. Dutton stated that the department will be holding 2 pickle ball tournaments. Pickle ball is a cross between tennis, badminton and ping pong. It's played on a tennis court. Discussion regarding what pickle ball is and the equipment that is needed. The tournaments will be held on July 19th and August 2nd. Advertising this as a family event. Mr. Seyer asked how will the village be educated in what pickle ball is. The information is on the website, went to the senior center and will be doing some heavy advertising before the tournaments.

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7. **Swimming Pool:** Would have to fence this area and it would need to be self-supporting. Discussed possible locations. The committee requested that Mr. Dutton contact communities with pools and get operating cost information and bring it to the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Nothing needed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 8:42 a.m.

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