

BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION MEETING
Meeting Minutes
March 20, 2013 – 4:00 P.M.

City Hall
818 E. Edison Ave., Sunnyside, WA 98944

REGULAR MEETING – 4:30 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by Interim Chairperson, Dorothy Aiken at 4:32 PM.

Present: Interim Chairperson Dorothy Aiken, Board Member Robert Sarmiento, Board Member Robert Van Horn, Board Member Trish Combs, Board member Jackie Kranz

Absent: Board Member Teresa Juarez

Staff Present: Shane Fisher

Others present: Tony Hidalgo-SASA, Laura-DSN

1. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. None

2. ACTIVE AGENDA:

A. Board Officer Nominations/ Elections

- Nominations for Chairperson
Bob S. nominated Dorothy A. to Chair, second by Robert V.; Vote was 4-0
- Nominations for Vice Chairperson
Dorothy A. nominated Bob S. to Vice Chair, second by Robert V.; Vote was 4/0

B. Discussion on Pool Operations & Swimming Lessons

- Dorothy said school was getting done later, so we should open the pool a bit later.
- Dorothy- WSI swim lessons for sure. She also thinks the Mommy/Me Program should be a paid program and not free. And also wants to get rid of private swim lessons.

C. Recreation Program Update- Trish

- 4,000 kids have already gone through the programs offered by SASA.
- It's been really tough without a CM on board, but she is very optimistic about future of programs.
- Indoor Soccer is over.
- Outdoor Soccer Jamboree is March 23 & 24.
- Signups are still going on for the outdoor soccer; estimating 400-500 kids.
- Trish received a phone call from Mr. Valasquez saying SASA is taking over all the parks from the public.
- Dorothy- What parks are being used by SASA? Trish- Sunnyview Park Mostly.
- Trish- Upset that Mr. Sweet setup meeting with Dr. Cole to use school fields, and when Mr. Sweet was fired, the deal fell through.
- Dorothy- said the indoor soccer was great. She watched a few games.
- Trish- Yes, it was great to see the kids enjoy themselves.
- Dorothy- can't we get benches for the kids (players) to sit on during games?
- Trish- said she applied to LTAC for wall pads to protect players.
- Bob S.- What does SASA mean? Trish- Sunnyside Arts and Sports Association
- Trish- explained the SASA program to Park & Rec Board.
- Dorothy- we can't forget about the seniors and the museum.
- Tony- main goal is to take care of the kids in the community and work together w/ board. Biggest problem is avoiding the negative publicity. Public doesn't want to volunteer over the past few years. Why doesn't the DSN put more in the paper about programs?
- Trish- discussing the April 13 event with board members...
- Bob S.- when Promise was given money, they spent it outside the area...not good.
- Tony- we have asked for no money, and won't.
- Bob S.- board members need a schedule of games and events so they can attend.

- Dorothy- can we use high school senior project kids to help?
- Jackie- are we having golf this year? Trish- yes, just waiting for Scott to get back to her.
- Robert V.- can we do senior bus trips this year? Trish- we'll check into it.

3. ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Robert V.- Senior Center will have a band with kids from Yakima.

4. ITEMS FROM STAFF MEMBERS

5. NEXT MEETING – April 17, 2013 @ 4:30pm

6. ADJORN – With there being no further items to discuss, motion and 2nd received to adjourn the meeting; meeting was adjourned at 5:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shane Fisher
Public Works Superintendent