

Newport Rec Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Oct 23rd, 2017

The Meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM

Members present: Cassie Helie, Larry Flint, Rick Cota, Aggie Proper, Bill Wilmot, Ben Gallagher, Gavin Lovely and PJ Lovely.

Larry Flint was elected chairman of the advisory board, with Rick Cota being elected vice chair. Both votes were unanimous. It was decided that Beth Rexford would be the recording secretary when available and PJ Lovely would fill in when she is absent.

The Skatepark and its location were discussed and alternative sites were considered since the tennis courts (their old location) were torn down. One of the basketball courts was suggested, as it would be less costly, near the school, and there were 2 other courts that could still fill the basketball need. It was agreed that the basketball courts were the best option at this point as long as there were safe barriers to prevent the two outdoor pursuits from interfering with one another.

The Green Up day was set for May 6th 2017. Members were asked to reach out to organizations to see if they can join us for the Green up/clean up day. Newport High School will help partner with the Town, and thus their kids will be eligible for community service hours.

Upcoming events: The NRD will host the Sunshine Diner on Sunday October 29th. The Rec Department will celebrate its 50th year by inviting its past volunteers to a comedy show at the Newport Moose on December 1st. The annual Chili cook-off is set for December 9th as part of the "Twas just before Christmas Celebration", put on by the Chamber of Commerce.

Online registrations are now available at the Rec Department. The financial piece is still being worked on and should be fully available in the next 2 weeks.

The next meeting is scheduled for the Nov 27th, 2017.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM