

## Recreation Advisory Board

January 15, 2020

**Present:** Jeff Blinderman, Julie Cagle, Ray Stewart, Bill Nash, Derrell Wilson, Cheryl Hancin-Preston, Lee-Ann Gomes

**Approval of Minutes...**Minutes from Nov 20<sup>th</sup> approved

### Old Business

- Program Review...See handout. Program numbers are increasing. Winter programs just started this week. Rec offering indoor tennis at Kelly. Looking to open building in the spring on Saturdays. Adult classes are a little slow. Using Survey Money to gauge satisfaction. Getting good rating. Youth basketball starts tonight. Referees may be used this year with sponsorship funds. Scholarship money available for basketball. Bill made the suggestion to do an informational session for the Council in the spring. Derrell suggested we share more good news with residents on social media.
- Tennis Applicants...Rec Advisory had voted to form an Ad Hoc committee. Five applicants did respond. Committee voted to appoint Fred Phelps, Martha Healy, Stan Lucus, Erin Challinor and Roy Wentworth. Motion made by Derrell, seconded by Julie. Vote was unanimous. Lee to vet people through the City Clerk and to update the committee purpose.

### New Business

- **Winter Update**...RFP responses for new software system received. Rec Dept. to demo CivicPlus this month to see if the City wants to purchase it.
- **Facilities and Maintenance**...New hire, Jimmy Haring, is on board. Crew busy cleaning up fields, having some trees taken down, widening Fontaine track (placing stone), installing new scoreboard/PA system at DePina Field for girl's softball. The Rec is getting ready for spring and will host a meeting to schedule fields and facilities. Hamilton football update includes the concession stand being demolished. We are waiting for new proposals as first round came in over budget. Irrigation project is on track. At Jenkins basketball court we are having electricity restored. RFP for Taftville basketball court is going out for bid. Only one court will be redone with the CDBG money.
- **Budget**....reviewed requests that we will ask the City Council for which include fully funding Rec Director, hiring an Assistant Program director, hiring a fulltime maintainer, and obtaining fees to rent BOE facilities and to pay for new software.

**Other Business...None**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.**