

Recreation Advisory Committee Agenda

5/18/21

5pm

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Kendle

Roll Call:

	Present	Absent
Chairperson Jesse Kendle	_____	_____
Committee Member Jessie Ricks	_____	_____
Committee Member Eileen Chapman	_____	_____
Committee Member Esther Piekarski	_____	_____
Committee Member Toran Jordan	_____	_____
Committee Member Angeline Brown	_____	_____
Committee Member Angela Anderson	_____	_____
Committee Member Doug Eagles	_____	_____
Committee Member Sylvia Sylvia-Cioffi	_____	_____
Committee Member Vic Sood	_____	_____
Committee Member Byron Young	_____	_____
Committee Member Shawna Gartrell	_____	_____
Committee Member Tyron McAllister	_____	_____

Public Comments:

- Limited to 3 minutes per person, one time around

Old Business:

- Approval of minutes from the April 2021 meeting
- Update on Surfing program

New Business:

- Summer programming
- A Day of Hope idea- Chairperson Kendle

- Vice Chairperson discussion
- Recreation Advisory Committee Member Program Request Form
- Comments from Committee Members

Meeting adjourned

Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting minutes

Meeting held 4/13/21 via zoom

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Kendle at 5:10pm

Roll Call: In attendance: Kendle, Ricks, Chapman, Jordan, Brown, Anderson, Eagles, Cioffi, Young, McAllister. Absent: Piekarski, Gartell

Others in attendance: Chris May, Kathleen Mumma, Ernest Mignoli

New Business:

AP Surf Club- Chris May spoke to the Committee about his newly established surf and ocean education program he is trying to get off the ground. His non profit provided surf lessons, water safety, surf etiquette, surf history and culture for AP kids last summer in Loch Arbor and he is seeking to do that again with the support of the RAC. The program would be for kids ages 9 and up, held twice a week from 5pm-7pm, With 5-8 consistent AP youth attending. After his presentations the following questions were asked:

Floyd: Do you work with Surfriders foundation, summertime surf school? Would a collaboration be a consideration since all 3 organizations for some type of surf education?

Eagles: Summertime Surf provides free surf lessons to Boys and Girls Club kids

Kendle: asked about insurance for the program

Chapman and Floyd: asked about certified life guards since the program happens after our lifeguards are off duty.

Chris May is open to meeting with other surf organizations and I will be scheduling a meeting for all three in the near future.

Chris felt his program varied slightly from Summertime surf

Chris has his own liability insurance

Regarding lifeguards each of the surfers that works w the program is a certified lifeguard

Kendle thanked Chris May for attending and I will be in touch regarding a meeting

Public Comments:

Ernest Mignoli spoke about the State investigation regarding the fashion show. Where the money came from for the event, what was the purpose of the event, difficulty finding callin information for the meeting, why is Kendle Chairperson again. Kendle referred him to the City Manager regarding questions.

Kendle spoke about the State investigation. Stated that I, the City Manager, mayor and he had to meet with them regarding the Fashion show. Kendle asked how much was being spent on summer camp this year, I said I didn't know yet because this is a unique year. Although we will be doing significantly less trips because of Covid, we will need to hire more staff. Hope to have an estimated budget by the next meeting. Kendle next spoke about the summer basketball league. Residents have said to him that too much money is spent on this league; we shouldn't use tax dollars for this; parents here need to pay like they do in Neptune. I reminded Kendle that some of our parents cant afford to pay. Jordan suggested charging \$10 a child to add value to the league and it will be an incentive for parents to encourage their kids to go if there is a fee. Kendle stated the league is not structured and when he rides by the courts he only sees Haitians and Mexicans playing there. Ricks and Eagles commented that this program needs to happen; we must invest in our children after they have been stuck in the house for over a year; they need activity; they have been isolated and need to engage. Chapman, Brown and Anderson support doing the league. Brown wants to see more girls engaged in the program.

I informed the Committee that the lease on the Courts between the Bd of Ed and City had expired and the City chose not seek a new lease.

Ambassador Program: I discussed doing the youth ambassador program again. This program provided our youth with summer employment opportunities and gave them a sense of community ownership. Kendle said that some have complained the City is not an employment agency and we should hire our kids. Community members disagreed with this; stating our kids aren't getting rich off of this program; investment in our children is important and shouldn't tax dollars be spent on our children.

I briefly discussed the waterpark opening this summer. Mentioned that if the Boys and Girls Club wanted to have a few exclusive waterpark outings this summer that could be arranged with all covid precautions being taken. I will discuss details with Doug at a later time.

We hope to do a summer soccer league this summer as well.

Kendle said that at least 6 churches have contacted him about doing a Gospel Fest in Springwood Park with security and a play area for the children. Kendle said he wants to do a Mothers Day Gospel Fest. Ricks asked me to research the legalities of using public tax dollars to pay for a Gospel Fest. I told her she may have a point because it would be Church and State issue. I will talk to the City Manager about that in the morning.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15

**A DAY OF HOPE
IN MUSIC**

To Be Discussed
At Rec mtg on
5/11

~~The Asbury Park Recreation Committee is hosting an event to lift up our souls and our spirits in song.~~ TBD

This Day of Hope will feature 10 choirs from local places or worship who will perform joyful noise to uplift your soul in these difficult challenge times.

The event will take place on SAT. ~~June 19, 2021~~ Aug 7, 2021
From 2:00-4:00 at the Asbury Park Springwood Park.
Social distancing and masks will be required
Bring your own chair or blanket.

In addition, you may listen to the music via Zoom.
The link is

For additional information please contact

RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER PROGRAM REQUEST FORM

Proposed Activity Description: _____

Target age group: _____

Date(s): _____ Start time: _____ End time: _____

Proposed Location: _____

Purpose of Event: _____

What city services will be required:

POLICE FIRE DPW OTHER: _____

Please explain why requested service is needed: _____

Will there be volunteers associated with the proposed event? YES NO (Volunteers may be subject to a background check)

If yes, please provide:

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone #: _____

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ESTIMATED PROPOSED BUDGET PAGE

Estimated Cost

SITE/LOCATION FEE:

FOOD/REFRESHMENTS:

PLAQUES/TROPHIES:

PUBLICITY/PRINTING:

DECORATIONS:

DJ/BAND/MC:

EQUIPMENT:

MISC:

TOTAL:
