Town of Richlands Recreation Commission May 16th, 2022

The Richlands Recreation Commission held a regular monthly meeting at 7:00 P.M. with the following members present:

Rocky Hill Mark Gillespie
Craig Earls Frances Meadows
Trish Matney Corey Whited

Freddie Elswick

Members Absent: Tony Cordle Town Council: Jeff Hurst

Recreation: Jessica Reynolds

Other:

Frances Meadows called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.

Corey Whited made a motion to approve the minutes of the March meeting. Trish Matney seconded the motion. No further comments. Motion carries 6/0.

Public Comments: None.

New Members:

Frances Meadows: Welcomed Freddie Elswick to the commission and he is official now after the Richlands Town Council voted him in.

Recreation Director Updates:

Jessica Reynolds: The pool is up and going, but we are still working on the pump for the baby pool. We should have that by the end of this week. The big pool pumps are looking good so far. I have been dealing with the chairs. I ordered them from our local Lowes and they did not send them. I have been promised that they will be here before May 25th. We will have 35 in total ordered. We also have new umbrellas and keeping it all clean. We had 25 life guards that applied that are licensed. We ended up keeping 16 that are experienced. We are also doing swimming lessons again this year. We are going to do those on Monday's in the middle of the day to ensure the water is warm. We had the Gods Rockstar's prom event this weekend and had about 75 or more here. It was a great community event. Thank you to Rocky for putting it together.

Rocky Hill: I would like to mention that we wanted to do events (as a Commission.) We want to do an opening day for our planned games. You can help us by volunteering. We need some help on these events. I think we are going to do a Sunday evening around 5-6pm, due to a lot of Saturday workers.

Jessica Reynolds: The wrestling group is here as well and they are doing 3 nights a week. That should last for 6 weeks. The wrestling group is going to do all of the cleanup.

Trish Matney: Do you need help with project graduation?

Jessica Reynolds: We will have staff here for it. The detention folks will be here to clean-up after project graduation as well. It is great to have them back after COVID.

Miscellaneous Updates:

The group discussed that we have one seat open for the Commission. We discussed multiple candidates that expressed interest.

Rocky Hill: I make a motion for Jared Horn to be our out of town representative to the Richlands Recreation Commission, and have Jeff Hurst propose him to the Richlands Town Council for approval. Corey Whited seconded the motion. No further comments. Motion carries 7/0.

Jeff Hurst: I will take it to our next Town Council meeting.

Frances Meadows: Parking at Critterville is very tough during the Little League season. I came over there and people were in the handicap parking. I asked them and they moved. They said it was the only parking spot open. Maybe the police can patrol some during the games as well.

Mark Gillespie: It would be good to get the parking lot bigger.

Frances Meadows: If we can extend the parking from the tree behind the girls field I will donate the gravel.

Jeff Hurst: Mike Webb may be able to donate it as well. I can take it to the meeting and ask as well.

Freddie Elswick: Mike just confirmed that he will donate the gravel for us.

Mark Gillespie: I can go over and mark it off as well.

Frances Meadows: I can meet the driver at Critterville.

No further discussions.

Next Meeting June 20th at 7:00 P.M.