

Mayfield Village Parks and Recreation Board Meeting

Thursday, March 14, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
Mayfield Village Civic Center

RECAP

Attending: Aaron Caunter, Sandeep Dixit, Terrie Haycox, Steve Jerome, Peggy Kerver, Troy Koch, Derek McDowell, Mary Murphy, Dave Perout, Council President Steve Schutt, Pattie Simcic, Phil Stella, Meg Stifler, Kate Sullivan, Samantha Clark-Cartwright, Shane McAviney and Danielle Echt.

Introduction: Meg welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. There was no discussion about the January 11 meeting recap notes.

Spring/Summer Special Events

Easter Party-Grove/Parkview area: Sat., April 6, 11:00 A-1:30 P

- A volunteer sign up sheet was passed around.
- The event will be after Easter due to the Leprechaun Trail event, the weather and Mayfield's Spring Break. If needed due to weather it still can be moved indoors.

Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast-Civic Center, Sun., May 12, 8:00 A-12:00 P

- A volunteer sign up sheet was passed around.
- The event will run the same as last year with Pizzazz cooking/providing the food.
- The numbers attending each year are slightly increasing.

Memorial Day Celebration-Whitehaven, Sun., May 26, 1:00-2:00 P

- Mary Singer continues to coordinate and the Recreation Department supports as needed.
- Volunteers may be needed to place flags on Saturday, May 25.

Cruise Night, Sat., June 8, 4:00-9:00 P

- Shane is working with a new shirt vendor for this year. It will still be the same soft style t-shirt.
- Danielle will work on recruiting volunteers after the Easter event.

International Day of Yoga, Fri., June 21, 6:00-7:00 P

- Sandeep was thanked for coordinating this event each year.

Independence Day Celebration-Parkview Pool/Grove, Sat., June 29, 11:30 A-10:00 P

- Activities at the pool will be similar to previous years with fireworks in the evening.
- Sandeep is part of the CERT team and asked if CERT volunteers at events. They are involved with Cruise Night and the Independence Day Celebration but not the smaller events.

Mayfield Village Celebration-Parkview Pool/Grove, Sat., August 10, 11:30 A-9:30 P

- Volunteers will be needed to help grill and pass out food supplies around the lunch hour at Parkview Pool.
- FM77 will be playing the Guardians of The Galaxy soundtrack while the movie is playing; it will not be in sync. People can bring their headphones (and a limited number will be available that night) so that they can listen to the actual movie while it's showing if they wish.

Spring/Summer Programs

- The regular summer camp has been full for quite some time. It fills quickly and there is a waiting list for every session. It is testament to how well it's run every summer with staff doing an incredible job; parents and kids love it.
- Mayfield Village partners up with Rookie Sports for the sports programs for 3-10 year olds. Rookie Sports has established themselves and many of the programs were full shortly after registration began.
- Other programs are also being offered such as youth kickball, youth volleyball, youth running club and canvas painting which is for all ages and abilities.
- Registration for the adult sports leagues is also going well. Softball leagues will be full and registration is going strong for pickleball, bocce, tennis and soccer.
- One of the new events has a lot of interest and it is the Adult Easter Egg Hunt.
- Sam also introduced new senior programs such as cooking, fairy garden planter and stained glass. She also redesigned the Senior Newsletter to make it an easier read.

Grove/Concert Series Update

- The restroom project is progressing nicely; the structure itself is being finished and then doors will be added so the plumbing can be worked on. The crew is doing a great job and it should be ready well before Grove Season. The bathrooms will remain open generally May until September or October; weather dependent.
- It was suggested to keep a bathroom along the trail open year 'round or possibly even have a port-a-potty around for the year.
- There was concern for handicap seating at The Grove. The area is just in front of the first row of stone seating and it is monitored. The department has asked other people to move occasionally and they are usually pretty congenial to do so. It was suggested to use stanchions/chain and hang a sign from the chain.

Mayfield Memorial Scholarship in Honor of Debbie Hudacko

- There were five applicants from Mayfield Village; several more also applied but they were ineligible due to residency requirements.
- Kate, Terrie and Sandeep will conduct interviews at Mayfield High School on April 4.

Miscellaneous Discussion

- Shane stated that he reviews the recreation revenue report often and the department is doing well as he compared it to last year at this time. Shane said that with three full time staff, Annemarie and seasonal staff, the department is doing great. There is a great working relationship with everyone. Shane also thanked the Recreation Board for all of their help; the special events would not be possible without their time volunteering.
- Phil thanked Sam for coordinating the CPA schedule along with the Mayfield Village Senior programs.
- There was discussion about offering Senior programs later in the day so working Seniors could participate. It was suggested for a wine and food pairing possibly. The Recreation Department recently discussed offering Senior programs at a later time. This also led to discussion about the age of a Senior and there really is not one single age as different entities use different ages. Generally Mayfield Village Senior Department uses 55 years and older but if evening programs are offered then the age would most likely be 50 years and older.
- The committee discussed the idea of Veteran banners along the poles of Wilson Mills and SOM Center, closer to the center of town. Hanging baskets are usually there but possibly even alternate banners and baskets. The Citizens Advisory Committee generally handles items like this; Terrie said she would relay the information since her husband was the Chairman on that committee.
- The sandbox was removed at Parkview Playground and is now poured in place surface. The department may purchase some toy cars/trucks for that area.
- The idea of a dog park came into discussion and most of the committee members felt like there were enough in surrounding communities plus there is limited space available in the Village. Shane said it was discussed many years ago but was not well received; he will bring it up again at an upcoming Department Head Meeting. Dogs being left unattended/overnight have also been problems at other dog parks.

- The Leprechaun Trail was recently promoted in the News Herald. It has gained popularity starting with kids last year and now it has grown into adults and families. The event is a great partnership with the library.
- The trail near Highland Road is closed still and should open soon; the trees should be replanted.
- The committee discussed ways that traffic can exit The Grove after concerts. One resident said he leaves early to avoid sitting in the car waiting to leave. The committee members suggested closing some entry bound lanes to make them exit and using White Road to exit North. Parking is usually pretty available in the library and softball parking lots also.

Next Meeting: April 25, 2024, 6:00 p.m., Civic Center

Danielle M. Echt