

City of Spring Lake Park  
1301-81st Ave. N.E.  
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

The minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of January 3, 2017 held at City Hall.

**1. Call to Order - Meeting called to order at 6:34 pm by Chairman Harlan.**

**2. Roll Call.**

Members present: Radichel, Harlan, Lambert, Apitz.

Members absent: Hoard, Graba.

Council/Staff present: Councilmember Wendling, Director Rygwall.

Council/Staff absent: None

**3. Approval of Minutes.** A motion was made by Radicehl to approve minutes as submitted, Wendling seconded the motion, all ayes. Motion carried.

**4. Discussion from Floor.** None.

**5. Commission Member Reports.** None.

**6. Council Commissioner's Report.** Wendling reported that the city has applied for a grant to repair the Osborne Rd trail.

**7. Unfinished Business.** None.

**8. New Business.**

**A. Election of Officers.** Dan Lambert was elected as Chair and Mark Hoard as Vice-chair.

**B. New event ideas for Tower Days Celebration.** The commission discussed last year's event. The variety of food vendors on Sunday was good and they discussed various ways to add new vendors. There is a Mexican food truck by the Mermaid which we could check out. Lambert suggested we invite the new Mexican restaurant in Spring Lake Park to sell food on Sunday. Radichel mentioned we should look for someone to sell baked potatoes and corn on the cob. Lambert suggested we ask Steve Otis if he knows anyone who has that product as the last vendor we had went out of business. They were thankful for the help the Leos gave them at the carnival games and hope they are again available to help. Radichel felt the Rockin Hollywoods did a good job last year

and stated the crowd was dancing and interacting well with the band. One area of improvement could be in marketing; finding more ways to get the word out. Another idea discussed is to have a train ride around the park like some other smaller cities have done as an added event. A letter from Councilman Goodboe-Bisschoff was read. She had five ideas for the festival. Invite all seven of the local churches to participate in the parade with their religious rock bands and choirs. Have more clowns in the parade. Invite past high school royalty courts to participate in the parade. Have a big tent with rock and country bands set up similar to Blaine. Invite more cities to participate in the parade. Rygwall will present the ideas discussed to the Tower Days Committee at their first meeting in January.

**C. 2017 Winter/Spring Brochure. Note special event dates.** The commission reviewed the brochure which was mailed to residents the end of December. The commission liked the colorful layout. Some key dates for the commission to note included February 11 & 18 spring skills clinic at the high school and the April 10 coach meeting at 6:00 pm with the commission helping with setup and greeting coaches beginning at 5:30 pm at City Hall.

## **9. Director's Report.**

**A. Status of ice rinks.** The rinks at Able and Sanburnol Park opened December 26. Able will be opened every day and Terrace will be opened Friday – Sunday. When hockey teams practice at Terrace during the week, they will have the warming house open for residents to use. This is due to the low numbers of people using the Terrace general rink.

**B. Program update.** Thirty five children attended Christmas break outings and 25 adults participated in the Christmas cookie baking class. The History Theater presentation of the “Orphan Train” was attended by 39 seniors.

**10. Other.** None.

**11. Adjournment at 7:28 pm.** Motion made by Radichel, seconded by Lambert.

**Next meeting is Tuesday, February 7; 6:30 pm.**

Respectfully submitted by,  
*Marian Rygwall*

**City of Spring Lake Park**  
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**Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting**

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 7, 2017

**TIME:** 6:30 pm

**PLACE:** City Hall

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call.
3. Approval of Minutes.
4. Discussion from the floor.
5. Commission Member Reports.
6. Council Commissioner's Report.
7. Unfinished Business.
8. New Business.
  - A. Softball dates: coach meeting, season starts, tournament, promotion.
  - B. 2016 program review, ideas for new programs 2017.
  - C. Tower Days events: parade, carnival games - purchase prizes.
9. Directors Report.
  - A. Tower Days planning to date.
  - B. Senior Valentine Luncheon.
10. Other
11. Adjournment.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 7; 6:30 pm