

Park and Recreation Committee Minutes

December 12th, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Jessica Boelman. Present were Jessica Boelman, Mike Carey, Kacie Fahey, Nicole Bower, Eric Hanson and Dawn McCracken.

Jessica Boelman will be stepping down from her Co-chair position on the Park and Recreation Committee at the end of the year. We are thankful to Jessica for her many years of supporting and making our community events the successful over the last several years.

An opening on the Committee will be available as of January 1,2023. Interested residents should complete an application and drop it off at the Town Hall.

It was decided for next year, we will explore new character appearances at the Holiday Party. Kacie and Dawn will look into this further. We'll also be look into the possibility of adding new holiday movies that will be played during the event next year. We will contact Jessica in future years to invite her back as a character.

An additional food truck has been added to the spring line up! Permit fees for vendors at this event will be waived for the evening. Dawn contacted Little Blue Petting Zoo to check their availability for the 2023 Celebration. She is going to book with them for their full-zoo package. The pony rides were less popular last year so we may consider another attraction in their place.

The Committee continued their review and discussion of the Stelzel Fields rental fees and agreement for the upcoming year. The Town Board recommended a 10% increase to rental fees, which the Committee agreed with. In addition, the concession stand agreement will once again be a separate contract for all events. A discussion was held about charging a usage fee of 20% of concession funds for each tournament or a flat rate of \$200.00 concession charge per tournament.

The Committee has been asked to set term limits for their positions as part of the new City structure. They have recommended 3 years per the current Township ordinance. The next meeting will be held on Monday, January 9th, 2023.

The meeting was adjourned.