

Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 10, 2024 Noon at Manchester Recreation Center

In attendance: Becki Johnson- Assistant Director, Katie West- Activities Coordinator, Stan Rogers, Brent Parsley, Dr. Prater Powell, Leslie Trussler, Joey Hobbs- Mayor, Nathan Havenner- Manchester Times, Tiffany Clutter- Thunder Radio.

1. Approval of meeting minutes from Thursday, September 12, 2024- Motion made by Dr. Prater Powell with a second by Stan Rogers. All approve.
2. Citizen Comments
 - A. None.
3. Programs Report
 - A. **Fall Break Day Camp** – Fall Break Camp was offered October 7, 2024 to October 11, 2024 for Kindergarten through 5th graders. There were 10 children enrolled due to the 10:1 childcare ratio. A discussion was held about accepting more children into the program as long as the staff was available to do so.
 - B. **Fall Break Extended Pool Hours** – Indoor open swim hours were extended from their normal 10am – 1pm to 10am – 3pm during the week of fall break, October 7 – 11, 2024.
 - C. **Adult Fall Soccer League** – The Adult Fall Soccer League started on Tuesday, October 8th, 2024 and currently has four teams enrolled to play.
 - D. **Pool Pawty** – The annual dog Pool Pawty was held on Saturday, September 14, 2024 from 2pm – 3pm. There were 26 dogs and the Recreation Complex made a total of \$130 to split with the Coffee County Humane Society for a total of \$65 each.
 - E. **Pickleball Workshop** – A pickleball workshop hosted by guest Kathy Hughes was a success on Wednesday, September 18, 2024 from 10am – 12pm with 27 enrollees. It was so successful that Kathy is looking for another date to host.
 - F. **Amazing Family Night** – The September 27, 2024 Amazing Family Night sponsored by Southland Pharmacy was slower than normal with only 43 guests participating. The Recreation Complex believes that this was due to bad weather as numbers are usually much higher.
 - G. **Kudzu Clean Up** – Due to the recent Hurricane Helene bringing in strong weather, the Saturday, September 28, 2024 Kudzu Clean Up has been pushed back to Saturday, October 12, 2024 at 10am in hopes of better weather.
 - H. **Dusty Elam Basketball League** – There are currently 190 children spanning through grades Kindergarten through 5th enrolled in the 2024 Dusty Elam Basketball season. A draft will be held on Saturday, October 12th, 2024 for coaches to pick their teams.

- I. **Lifeguard Course** – The Recreation Complex had hopes for hosting a fall lifeguard course Monday, October 14th, 2024 through Saturday, October 19th, 2024. Due to only two registrations, the course has been canceled and is looking at being rescheduled for November 2024.
- J. **Halloween Bash** – The 2024 Halloween Bash will be held on Saturday, October 19th, 2024 from 5pm – 9pm at Rotary Park. There will be multiple activities including a trunk-or-treat hosted by Reese’s Genes Boutique, a hayride, cake walk, costume contest, and an outdoor movie showing of Inside Out 2 sponsored by Comfort Inn Suites. There will also be three food trucks in attendance; Crazy Daisies, Chick-Fil-A, and IDK Food Truck.
- K. **Safe on the Square** – Safe on the Square will be held on Thursday, October 31st, 2024 from 3pm – 5pm. There will be multiple booths for guests to receive candy, a costume contest starting at 4:30pm, and a contest for the best decorated booth.

4. Maintenance

- A. None.

5. Old Business

- A. **TDEC Ballfield Grant** – The new ballfield lighting has been installed at Dave King Park on fields six, seven, and eight, making them now completely lit and usable. The new lights are now app controlled rather than controlled via a power box.

6. New Business

- A. **Wellness Room HVAC Unit** – Due to the broken unit, there is currently a drip tray draining into the downstairs maintenance closet from above head. The drip tray can be replaced to temporarily resolve the issue, however it has been recommended that it would be best to replace the air handler within the unit for \$68,294.00 since the unit has not been replaced since the complex was built in 2001. A Discussion was held about the project and felt that even though it is a state contract and single source, more quotes were needed to compare. Failed to be approved.

7. Items from the Recreation Commission

- A. Next month’s Recreation Commission Meeting will be held at City Hall in the board room.

8. Next Meeting: Thursday, November 14, 2024 at Noon.

9. Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted

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Katie West

Activities Coordinator