

## **Recreation Committee**

January 31, 2023

McCreary Family Recreation Center

12:00 pm

### **Members Present:**

Janet Winkler, Mayor

Larry Chapman, Commissioner

Jim Engelman, Commissioner

Jeff Link, Commissioner

Jonathan Greer, Town Manager

Chuck Raby, Parks & Recreation Director

Commissioner Chapman called the meeting to order.

### **Discussion of Previous Meetings**

Chuck Raby asked if anyone had anything they would like to discuss from previous meeting.

Commissioner Larry Chapman asked if we were still holding the annual Easter Egg Hunt and that Hudson Community Development will give \$400 towards that if it's enough.

Chuck Raby said we are having the annual egg hunt and \$400 is fine.

### **Proposed Pool Schedule**

Chuck Raby discussed the proposed pool schedule (attached). The new schedule aligns with weekly pool usage. The hours of operation and days for public swim more closely align with when we see the most usage. We have also had difficulty finding enough life guards. Cutting some days and hours helps with scheduling.

Chuck Raby discussed new fees for 2023. Daycare rate will increase to \$3/child from \$2. Pool rentals will increase from \$150 to \$175. Lifeguard pay for rentals remains \$10/hour per guard. General admission remains \$5 per person.

Commissioner Jeff Link made the motion to approve the schedule and fees. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jim Engelman and approved by committee.

### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Chuck Raby passed out "50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary" magnets to the committee. He also discussed activities to date such as poster give away and putting 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo on all sports team's jerseys/shirts.

Chuck Raby reminded the group that February is social media month. Each week a different prize will be given away at random to those that interact with Hudson Parks & Recreation's Facebook page/posts. Giveaways will include 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary t-shirt, gym membership, and free participation in a youth program.

Chuck Raby said in March we will give away t-shirts to those that correctly answer trivia questions. During the Easter Egg hunt there will be 50 grand prize eggs for each age group. Those prizes will be different sports equipment and board games.

Jon Greer said we are starting to work on a bigger event for August and may use "Events in the Park" to help execute that.

#### **Optimist Park**

Chuck Raby said we need rain to stop and he is pushing contractors to complete the remaining work. Fencing installation has begun and Blue Ridge Energy is waiting on dry weather to install new poles for lighting. The power box has been installed for Duke Energy. Once Duke runs the new power line, concrete can be poured. Two larger concrete contractors have been contacted to complete the job when needed. May is still a realistic finish date.

Chuck Raby said we are trying to tie the grand opening with the opening of baseball season which will near the end of April or beginning of May.

#### **Other Discussion**

Commissioner Jeff Link said CCC&TI has been discussing with Chuck Raby the possibility of moving softball games from Lenoir to Hudson's Optimist Park once its complete. Softball would not interfere with recreation's baseball schedule.

Commissioner Link said the Town may need to make a formal invitation to the college to have softball play in Hudson. He will update as the discussion progresses.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Link and seconded by Commissioner Jim Engelman. Motion approved.

Meeting minutes submitted by Jonathan Greer, Town Manager.

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Tamra T. Swanson, Town Clerk

2023

Redwood Pool (New Schedule Proposal)

Opening Day: Sat. June 3, 2023

Last Day of Pool Season: Sat. Aug. 12, 2023

Daycares

|            |                   |                |
|------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Mondays    | 10am-11:30am      | No Public Swim |
|            | 11:30am-1pm       |                |
| Tuesdays   | 10am-11:30am      | No Public Swim |
|            | 11:30am-1pm       |                |
| Thursdays  | 10am-11:30am      | No Public Swim |
|            | 11:30am-1pm       |                |
| Wednesdays | 1pm-3pm w/ Public |                |
| Fridays    | 1pm-3pm w/ Public |                |

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Public Swim

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|------------|---------|
| Wednesdays | 1pm-5pm |
| Fridays    | 1pm-5pm |
| Saturdays  | 1pm-5pm |
| Sundays    | 2pm-5pm |

\*Special Event Tuesday July 4<sup>th</sup> - First 300 Free 1-5pm (No Daycares)

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Rentals

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|-----------|---------|
| Fridays   | 6pm-8pm |
| Saturdays | 6pm-8pm |
| Sundays   | 6pm-8pm |

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Fees

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|-------------------|--|
| Daycares          | \$3.00 per Child                         |
| Pool Rentals      | \$175 (2 Hours) / \$10 per hr. per guard |
| General Admission | \$5.00                                   |