

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting January 8th, 2002

Members Present:

J. Drelich, Chairman
H. Cole
M. Jeffrey
R. Mason
R. Mather

Also Present:

R. Mason
J. Wysor
M. Stewart, Mayor
S. Stewart
C. Ulatowski, advisor

Chairman Drelich called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM.

Board Elections 2002: Motion made and seconded to reelect J. Drelich to Chairman. No other nominations were made. A vote was taken and motion passed. A motion was made to reelect M. Jeffrey to Vice Chair. There were no other motions made for the position, a vote was taken and passed. A motion was made to elect M. Eddy to Recording Secretary, a second was made and no other motions were made for the position. A vote was taken and passed.

December 2001 Minutes: A motion was made to accept the minutes as written, seconded and passed.

Winter 2002 Programs: Registrations as of 1/8/02 total 230. This surpasses the highest winter registration on record of 225. All gymnastics and self-defense sessions are full. Program totals were distributed and will accompany the minutes. Registrations continue to be received at the office.

R. Mason requested Board Members visit a winter program or two and complete a program evaluation form. The evaluations are required by New York State to satisfy funding requirements.

Skating Facility: R. Mason reported the rink opened New Years Day for ice-skating. Participation numbers have been very high with at times 50 or more persons on the ice. The rink opening was about two weeks behind last year because of the warm weather. The rink hours have been adjusted to provide more skating time.

HOURS: Weekdays 4:00PM to 9:00PM. Weekends, school vacations and holidays 10:00AM to 9:00PM.

R. Mason reported there is a vacancy for a Rink Attendant. A person is needed that would be able to open at 4:00 weekdays and also be available on weekends. Application can be made at the Youth Bureau Office or Personnel Office.

It is believed two more dasher board advertisers have been found. Letters to area businesses requesting their support in buying advertisement space will be sent soon, now that the facility is open and busy.

R. Mason stated a group wanting to hold a can and bottle drive at the rink had approached him. Being that the Youth Bureau is a youth orientated organization the facility could be a weekly site for different groups to make collections. Bottle and can Saturdays Noon – 4:00PM. Groups wanting to participate can contact the Youth Bureau Office.

C. Ulatowski stated that he would like to move the skate party date to February 9th, with a rain date of February 16th. The Board discussed the change and had no objections. The format will remain about the same as previous years with a DJ service, refreshments and door prizes. The Youth Board remains appreciative of the Label Gallery's support.

R. Mason has met several teens interested in a skate park. They had positive attitudes towards obtaining equipment and placing it at the existing facility. This may be possible with work by the young people in conjunction with the Youth Bureau. The easiest location for the ramps and jumps would be at the Borden Avenue Rink. R. Mason will attend the February Parks meeting to present an initial project idea and obtain their approval before proceeding.

A private donation has been offered to purchase a better divider at the rink to separate the free skaters from the hockey players. The Board discussed several possibilities and looked at examples in catalogs. R. Mason will research ideas and contact sales representatives.

Committee Reports: M. Jeffrey is still making progress in updating the Youth Services Directory.

New Business: No new business was brought before the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM. The next regular meeting of the City of Norwich Youth Board will be Tuesday February 12th, 2002 7:00 PM at City Hall.

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting February 12th, 2002

Members Present:

J. Drelich, Chairman
R. A. Mason
C. Sastri
M. Eddy
G. Clark
J. Mirabito

Also Present:

R. Mason
S. Stewart
C. Ulatowski
T. Dean

Chairman Drelich called the meeting to order at 7:10PM

New Members: Gabrielle Clark and Jason Mirabito were welcomed as new Board members. Tom Dean and Stephanie Stewart were present as guests and may become members. As youth members R. Mason explained how their meeting input was valuable. Their ideas for summer trips, concerts and programming represented the interests of the youth as they could liaison with their peers.

January Minutes: Motion made by C. Sastri and seconded by M. Eddy to accept the January minutes. Minutes were accepted as written.

Recreation programs: R. Mason reported registration has reached 243 for the winter programs. This surpasses the previous high of 225. Most programs are in progress with Self-Defense/Rock Climbing starting at Lewis Martial Arts 2/16 and Gymnastics starting 2/23. Details of winter and summer programming were explained to new members and visitors.

Skating Facility: R. Mason reported the facility has been closed due to the unusually warm conditions. The Label Gallery sponsored skate party originally scheduled for 2/9 has been changed to 2/16. Conditions at present do not favor the event for the weekend ahead. Another date may be necessary. Hockey players from the Colgate team were scheduled to attend the first date but will be unable to be there the weekend of 2/16. The Label Gallery has obtained many door prizes to be given out nearly every ten minutes.

Skate Park Update: R. Mason and T. Dean presented a preliminary park plan to the Board. This plan was presented to the Parks Commission on 2/11/02, receiving Board support. The matter has been referred to other City Committees and Council. Dean and Mason will have an informal meeting with interested skateboarders at the skating facility on 2/22/02 at 7:00pm. Board members may obtain a copy of the preliminary plan by contacting the Youth Bureau office.

New Business: S. Stewart asked if the skating facility could remain open later on weekends when conditions were favorable. R. Mason stated that this has been done on occasion in past years and considering the poor conditions this year attempts would be made to meet her request when the rink reopens.

Having no further business to conduct the meeting was adjourned at 7:39pm. The next regular meeting of the City of Norwich Youth Board will be Tuesday March 12th, 2002 7:00pm.

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting March 12th, 2002

Members Present:

**J. Drelich, Chairman
C. Sastri
M. Jeffrey
M. Eddy
G. Clark
J. Mirabito
S. Stewart
J. Maiurano**

Also Present:

R. Mason

J. Drelich called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM

February Minutes: J. Maiurano motioned to accept the February minutes, M. Jeffrey seconded minutes were accepted.

Recreation Programs: 245 registrants are involved in winter activities, an all time high. Gymnastics and children's self defense are in progress and will end in April. Bowling, wrestling, baseball and softball have concluded. Programs have progressed without incident. R. Mason has met with Tom Revoir from the YMCA and it appears that the new facility can be used for the ball programs next year at a cheaper rate than what has been paid to the soccer center.

Skating Facility: The rink remains closed because of the abnormal weather conditions. The facility was open 20 days in January and 2 days in February. At present it has been drained and will remain closed until possibly April.

There was discussion concerning the hours of operation during the summer. R. Mason noted that normal hours would be 4PM – 9PM weekdays and Noon – 9PM weekends, school breaks and summer vacations. Participation during the summer is low however with some days having no skaters at the facility but an attendant on duty. R. Mason asked the Board for ideas concerning adjustment of hours. No days in particular seemed busier than others during the summer months. One suggestion was to open only weekends.

R. Mason updated the board with progress towards a skate park. The plan has passed the Parks and Public works committees. The March Finance Meeting was attended however more information concerning insurance costs will have to be submitted at the April meeting. At present a quote has been received from the insurance carrier, however this would limit the equipment to a height of no more than two feet. Ramps and jumps three, four and five feet would be desired by the skaters and are in use at many other parks. Before an insurance quote can be obtained the carrier must know exactly what pieces of equipment will be purchased. R. Mason has arranged for a representative from Skatewave to come to the rink on April 3rd, 2002 at 7:00 PM. The sales rep will assist the group in planning the park and selecting equipment. After that a precise plan can be submitted to the insurance provider for consideration and then passed onto the finance committee. The sales rep will have a demonstration two-foot ramp with him so skaters can observe the construction and even try it out (skateboard and helmet required). The insurance agent and council members, mayor, skateboarders and interested parties are welcomed to attend.

Concerns over staffing of the park if this equipment is installed were addressed. Other issues discussed were procedures, rules and waivers.

The board discussed other uses of the facility to increase summer time usage. Concerts remain a possibility, which could draw youth pending the right band and advertising. The youth members present had some suggestions regarding what bands and will research possibilities.

R Mason had a catalog with projectors that may be capable of projecting movies at the facility on a large screen. VHS or DVD movies might be able to be shown on a screen in the center of the rink, similar to a drive-in movie without the car. Board members discussed the idea and approved doing more research in that direction.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:53PM.

The next regular meeting of the City of Norwich Youth Board will be Tuesday April 9th, 2002

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting April 9th, 2002

Members Present:

**J. Drelich, Chairman
M. Eddy
R.A. Mason
J. Mirabito
J. Maiurano
T. Dean**

Also Present:

**C. Ulatowski
R. Mason
J. Wysor**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM by Chairman Drelich

March Minutes: M. Eddy motioned to accept the March minutes, seconded by J. Maiurano, minutes were then accepted.

New Members: T. Dean was present and introduced as a new board member.

Winter Recreation Programs: J. Wysor reported gymnastics is continuing for another week. The instructors have been very resourceful with the program despite some of them having to be absent for state competitions. Good program coverage has been provided and participant attendance has been good. Children's self defense also will continue for one more week.

The Youth Bureau is in the process of filling summer program positions. Last years staff was mailed letters requesting them to return. New applications are also being received at the Youth Bureau Office. The Bureau employs about 35 persons during the summer between the pool and recreation programs. Interested persons should apply soon. The position of pool supervisor has been filled and an assistant supervisor remains needed.

Skating Facility: R. Mason reported the rink would be opening this weekend (weather permitting) and will be open next week as the schools are closed. The hours will be 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM during the school break and return to normal hours of 5:15 PM – 9:00 PM after school reopens. Weekend hours will remain 1:00 – 9:00.

Two rink attendant positions are available for spring and summer operations.

R. Mason and T. Dean have continued efforts towards establishing a skate park with ramps and jumps. A meeting was held last week at the facility with a sample ramp having been brought in. Although the weather was not the best at the time, more than twenty skaters were on hand to try it out, many of who have not been at the facility before. A plan for specific equipment should be obtained within the next week. The proposal will then sent to the insurance carrier for a price estimate, then presented to the Finance Committee. Once Finance approval is received the entire package will be forwarded to Council for final approval.

New Business: There was no new business conducted. R. Mason reported that the establishment of a large screen projector at the rink for night movies would be costly and he would rather table the matter until the work on the Skate Park has concluded.

Adjournment: Having no further business Chairman Drelich adjourned the meeting at 7:18 PM. The next regular meeting of the City of Norwich Youth Board will be Tuesday May 14th, 2002 7:00 PM City Hall

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting May 14th, 2002

Members Present:

J. Drelich, Chairman
M. Eddy
J. Maiurano
G. Clark

Also Present:

J. Wysor
R. Mason
S. Lorend

Chairman Drelich called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

April Minutes: Motioned to accept, seconded and accepted as written

Summer Recreation Programs: J. Wysor reported that summer program registration would be held Wednesday June 12th, 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM at the High School gym. As always assistance from Board Members during registration will be appreciated.

Planning for summer programs is progressing and will probably be the same as in past years. Soccer may be moved to the Perry Browne fields pending school approval. They were not available in 2001 and although Plymouth Street worked Ok, the school fields are in better shape and the location is a safer one.

Rock climbing/children's self defense will not be offered during the summer, but should return to the winter schedule.

Summer staffing positions are being filled and there are vacancies in most programs. Applications from those interested should be submitted at the Youth Bureau Office very soon.

Summer Concerts and Trips: R. Mason is still seeking input from the Youth members on the Board for trip destinations and names of bands to play in the park. Suggestions should be made directly to the office or at the June Board meeting at the latest. The Nick Andrews Band has been the only suggestion so far.

Skating Facility: The facility has been open weather permitting. There is still a vacancy for one or two rink attendants.

J. Maiurano inquired about the status of the Knights of Columbus dasher advertisement. This has been ordered and is being made by Wightman signs.

The proposal for skate ramps and jumps has been approved by the finance committee. Insurance costs for the park as submitted will be \$2,500.00 annually. The park plans have been sent to City Council for their May 21st meeting for final approval to proceed. After Council approval the youth will be organized into a fundraising group. \$20,000.00 will be needed.

R. Mason had material samples from Athletica Inc., which manufactures skate ramps. Their ramps are composite recycled plastic and are about a third cheaper than Parkitects. They are only guaranteed three years however as opposed to the fifteen years by Parkitects.

Committee Reports: M. Jeffrey has contacted the Youth Bureau and is still working on the Youth Services Directory. She has about ten services left to cover and should have the updated information for the book production by the end of the month.

June Meeting: R. Mason reported he had the opportunity to attend a State sponsored seminar for Youth Bureau Directors in Old Forge June 11th and 12th. This would conflict with the regular June 11th meeting. After some discussion the members present decided to move the regular June meeting to June 18th.

Having no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM

The next regular meeting of the City of Norwich Youth Board will be Tuesday June 18th, 7:00 PM at City Hall

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting June 18th, 2002

Members Present:

R.A. Mason

C. Sastri

M. Eddy

J. Mirabito

Also Present:

R. Mason

S. Lorenz

J. Wysor

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM.

May Minutes: R.A. Mason motioned to accept the May minutes, seconded by C. Sastri. Minutes were accepted.

Recreation Coordinator: J. Wysor reported the programs were mostly set to go, however the only problems seemed to remain with facility availability. Soccer will most likely be moved from Perry Browne to Gibson School. Gymnastics will likewise probably be moved to Perry Browne from the Middle School. We are still waiting for facility use confirmation from the school system for these programs.

Swim lessons should be held at the High School pool, however at present there is no water in the pool. They have had a "PH" problem and are attempting to correct it. The Kurt Beyer pool is behind schedule for opening because of poor weather. The planned opening was to be Saturday 6/22 and if conditions remain favorable we should be near that date.

All staffing for programs has been completed with the exception of gymnastics. J. Wysor stated he has some gymnasts/cheerleaders that might be interested and has directed them to apply. R.A. Mason knew of a possible candidate and will direct her to apply.

Trips and Concerts: R. Mason reported three trips have been scheduled. Enchanted Forest 7/30, The Museum of Science and Technology (MOST) and Imax theater 7/23 and Burnet Park Zoo 8/6. Another trip may be scheduled later in the summer for older youth pending remaining money available.

Concerts remain in the planning stage. The County Board of Supervisors approval has been received for use of East Park and the Pagoda on Thursdays in July and August. The Nick Andrews Band has been requested. "Sliders" has agreed to play 7/18.

Skating Facility: R. Mason reported another attendant has left. A replacement is being hired but will not be available Sundays. Another attendant has to be located.

Council approval has been received to proceed with the skate-park. There will be a meeting of all interested skaters and parents Thursday 7/20 6:00 PM at the facility to get fund raising started. Ideas for fund raising are needed. R.A. Mason suggested a 50/50 raffle during Gus Macker. R. Mason will check into this possibility.

R. Mason will be attending a skate park seminar in Albany July 31, T. Dean will probably attend also.

Summer Adjournment: The Board will adjourn for the months of July and August.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

The next regular meeting of the City of Norwich Youth Board will be Tuesday, September 10th, 2002 7:00 PM at City Hall.

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting September 10th, 2002

Members Present:

**J. Drelich
C. Sastri
J. Maiurano
M. Eddy
T. Dean**

Also Present:

**R. Mason
J. Wysor
E. Larsen
M. Munio**

Chairman Drelich called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM

June Minutes: M. Eddy motioned to accept the June minutes, T. Dean seconded and the minutes were accepted.

2003 Youth Service Funding: Eric Larsen, Chairman of the Chenango Blues Association was present to request assistance funding for the 2003 Blues Festival. The 2003 program will be similar to those in past years. Youth and teen orientated programs are sponsored to introduce the youth to blues workshop. This past year the program at The Place was split into two groups because of the number attending (about 50 each). Groups were ages 10-12 and 13-14. There was another program held at night for teens from the Wyoming Conference and families (youth at risk). Requested was any amount that might be available. Total program expense for the Blues Association is \$5000.00.

Marty Munio, Director for The Gathering Place was present requesting assistance for their summer and winter workshops. Both workshops are targeted towards youth in the pre-school and grammar school age. They are family orientated and also promote parenting skills. Program totals should approximate \$1200.00.

After the presentations the Board discussed both requests for assistance. 2003 program funds are preliminary but should approximate \$2,170.00. J. Maiurano motioned to offer \$1000 to the Blues Association and \$600.00 to The Gathering Place. \$570.00 would remain available for other programs. M. Eddy seconded the motion, a vote was taken and motion approved.

Summer 2002 Programs: J. Wysor recapped the summer activities reporting all went without incident. He said the new pool director and assistant worked very well and there were no personnel problems.

The summer soccer program remains a concern because of dwindling numbers. The older (middle school) group was eliminated this summer and an additional day (Friday) added for the younger players. This did not have an impact on the program.

Gymnastics and the playground programs ran well and both had good instructors. Last minute location changes by the school system had a minimal impact on gymnastics and soccer, but may have affected swim instruction to a greater degree. Overall it was a successful summer with excellent coordination put forth by J. Wysor.

Winter Wrestling may start in December pending budget allowances. The winter program may be extended with extra days for both groups. The extra costs will be only a few hours weekly.

Winter programs remaining (baseball, softball, gymnastics, bowling, rock climbing/self defense) will probably run as in the past.

Winter program sign ups should be in early December.

Skate-Park: R. Mason and T. Dean reported the fund drive has been progressing smoothly. The County Board of Supervisors has approved \$5000 in assistance and the \$7,500 matching fund grant has been matched and applied for. The youth raised over \$1000.00 through their projects and more than \$7,000.00 was received through donations. All totaled over \$20,000.00 should be available. The youth worked hard towards their goal. Over the next few weeks R. Mason will visit some existing parks with different ramp styles from different manufacturers to make a final selection. The park should open in the spring.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM.

**The next regular meeting of the City of Norwich Youth Board will be Tuesday October 8th, 2002
7:00 PM at City Hall**

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting October 8th, 2002

Members Present:

J. Drelich
C. Sastri
M. Eddy

Also Present:

R. Mason
J. Wysor

Chairman Drelich called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM

September Minutes: C. Sastri motioned to accept the September minutes, seconded by M. Eddy, minutes accepted without change.

Winter Programs: J. Wysor reported that winter program registration would be held Wednesday December 4th, 6:00 PM in room #1 at the High School. As always assistance from Board members would be appreciated.

Programs to date will include girls softball practice (Wednesdays 7:00 – 9:00) and boys baseball (Tuesdays 6:00 – 7:00). Both will start the second week of January and will be held at the YMCA this year. The program will cost \$15.00 per hour this season as compared to \$35 an hour previous years at the soccer center.

Gymnastics will most likely start in February and bowling should commence the second week of January. Children's self-defense/rock climbing will be held again at Lewis Martial Arts. Junior wrestling will have expanded hours and will be commencing in December, shortly after program sign ups.

2003 Program Allocations: State assisted program funding has been finalized. The break down will include The Gather Place summer and winter workshops \$300 each, The Blues Festival \$1000 and the YMCA Mid-night Madness \$570.

Skating Facility: The facility remains open, but will probably close in mid-October.

Funding for the Skate-Park presently stands at \$14,354.70 collected in a dedicated account, \$7,500 in a matching grant has been applied for. The total being \$21,854.70. Other funding sources are expected to generate additional contributions. An April 2003 opening for the new park is expected at this time.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 PM

The next regular meeting of the City of Norwich Youth Board will be Tuesday November 12th, 2002 7:00 PM at City Hall.

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting November 12th, 2002

Members Present:

**J. Drelich
C. Sastri
M. Eddy
T. Dean**

Also Present:

**J. Wysor
R. Mason**

Chairman Drelich called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

October Minutes: C. Sastri motioned to accept the October minutes, seconded by M. Eddy, minutes were accepted.

Winter Recreation Programs: Programs are arranged and ready to go. Baseball and Softball will be held at the new YMCA. R. Mason is researching the possibility of adding a second girls softball program for Little League age players on request from some of the League Coaches.

A bowling instructor is still needed for that program. Last years instructor has not responded to return inquiries. Wysor is seeking staff for the gymnastics program starting in February.

Program sign ups will be Wednesday December 4th, 6:00 PM at the High School Room #1. Assistance from Board Members would be appreciated for about one hour. The sign up night conflicts with the tree lighting ceremony and attendance may be low as a result. Sign ups can be made after that date in the Youth Bureau Office.

2003 Program Allocations: After the October meeting \$507.00 remained in unassigned funding assistance. The YMCA did respond in October and was granted the remaining funds as per the Board's discussion at the October meeting. All 2003 funds have now been allocated.

Skating Facility: The facility remains closed and will reopen for ice skating when conditions permit. The attendants will be working at the facility changing skates over and sharpening. With over 150 pairs of skates to prepare this may take several weeks. The rink divider net still needs to be installed. This was donated last year at a cost of over \$800.00.

Skate Park donations have continued to grow. \$21,954.70 has been collected to date and is in a dedicated account. State Senator Libous has promised \$5,000. R. Mason is working with Coca-Cola who has promised an additional \$5000.00 with a contract with the City to keep the machines another 7 years. R. Mason will present the contract to the Council and City Attorney. The Finance Committee has already approved this. R. Mason is working with some groups towards some smaller donations. All totaled there may be over \$32,000 for this project. An April 2003 park opening date is being pursued.

There was some discussion as to rink hours for winter ice-skating. R. Mason stated that the rink may only be open Monday through Friday 4:00 PM until 9:00 PM. J. Drelich inquired if the rink might be kept open later evenings when busy. This is a possibility. The facility may not be open weekends and holidays because of the lack of the inability to maintain the ice conditions.

New Business: County Youth Awards Saturday December 7th, 1:00 PM at the Council of the Arts. This year on behalf of the City four teens will be recognized for their efforts to build the Skate-Park. (Tom Dean, Brian Towndrow, Donald Towndrow and Shelly Ingraham) Although there were many youth involved, these four made exceptional efforts.

Pagoda Decorating: The Youth Board will again decorate the pagoda in East Side Park for the tree lighting ceremony. Decorating will be done Saturday November 30th at 10:00 AM. Volunteers will again be needed to assist.

Chairman Drelich adjourned the meeting at 7:35 PM.

The next regular meeting of the City of Norwich Youth Board will be Tuesday December 10th, 2002 7:00 PM At the Borden Avenue Skating Facility upon request of the Board. Seasonal refreshments will be provided at this meeting. 2002 Board self evaluation will be needed

Dates to remember: Saturday November 30th 10:00 AM Pagoda Decorating
 Wednesday December 4th 6:00 PM Room #1 High School, Program Signups
 Saturday December 7th 1:00 Council of the Arts, Youth Recognition Awards

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting December 10th, 2002

Present: J. Drelich
C. Sastri
W. Eddy
J. Mirabito
G. Clark

Also Present: R. Mason

Chairman Drelich called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM

November Minutes: C. Sastri motioned to accept the November minutes, J. Mirabito seconded the motion, minutes accepted.

Recreation programs: Program signups were held December 4th. R. Mason reported a busy turn out with some programs filling. A detailed list of program enrollments was supplied to the Board and will be included with the minutes. We should easily surpass prior years in total program registrations. Applications can still be turned in at the Youth Bureau Office.

A bowling instructor is still needed. If one is not located this may have to be dropped as an activity.

Skating Facility: The rink opened for the first time December 10th. Attendance was heavy the first day despite not advertising the opening. The new divider net has been installed and is serving the intended purpose as hoped.

The Committee again discussed the winter operating hours and days.

The Skate Park funding now has \$22,529.48 in the dedicated account for equipment purchase. Still outstanding is \$5,000 as promised by Senator Libous. R. Mason has been in contact with the Senator's Office and was advised the funds are set aside for the park, however because of budget problems within the state there was no idea when they would be released to the City. \$5000 also remains available from Coca-Cola pending contract signing with the City. R. Mason has been in contact with the City Attorney and Coke. The agreement should be signed prior to January 1st. R. Mason also reported that a grant application for \$10,000 has been sent to the Tony Hawk Foundation. Assistance is available to communities and non-profits who are establishing a first time park.

The Teens for a skate park must meet to revise their park equipment choice. This will be done in January.

New Business: R. Mason advised that the pagoda has been decorated by Board Members and looks very nice. The tear down date for the pagoda decorations will be Saturday January 4th, 2003 10:00 AM.

The County Youth Awards was held December 7th. Four teens from the skate park committee were recognized for their efforts.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM.

The next regular meeting of the City of Norwich Youth Board will be Tuesday January 14th, 2003 7:00 PM in the City Hall meeting room. (2003 Board Elections and Board annual self evaluation)

Special thanks for those assisting with program registration night and decorating the park pagoda.