

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting April 4th, 2012

Present: T. Burton
B. Burton
J. Zieno

Also: R. Mason
J. Wysor
T. Scheer

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM

March Minutes: T. Burton motioned to accept the March 2012 minutes, seconded by J. Zieno, minutes were accepted.

Visitor: Tim Scheer, the junior wrestling coach spoke with board members about some changes to next years wrestling program. Junior wrestling has been growing in popularity yearly with 98 having registered in 2012. After discussion board members decided to assist with the initial activity sign up in October. The program could also be split into two different groups with the more experienced youth starting in November and the newer wrestlers to start at a later date. At present some of the kids are involved in the program for five months or more. Coach Scheer will return to the October 2012 Youth Board meeting to discuss the 2012 - 2013 season.

Additional headgear for the wrestlers may be needed as well as “mat guard” which the Youth Bureau office might be able to supply.

Winter Programs: After all winter programs ended and program books were turned in by the instructors the total participation was 243 which made for an average season. This was below 2011 levels, but above many prior years.

Kurt Beyer Pool: Repairs have been approved and work has started acid washing the pool. KBP should be open on or about the normal opening date in mid to late June. There was discussion about attempting to keep the facility open longer and possibly until Labor Day. The problem remains with the loss of lifeguards that return to school earlier than they did years ago.

New ADA requirements mandate that all swimming facilities have a pool lift for the disabled. KBP already meets the requirements with the lift purchased eight years ago. The battery pack needed replacement at the manufacturers cost of \$340. The pack was repaired in the youth bureau office with parts purchased locally for \$46.

A survey will be taken during the summer to determine where people reside that use the pool.

Summer Bus Trips: There was some discussion on destinations of summer bus trips. J. Zieno suggested sponsoring a trip for prospective college students to the college fair at the state fairgrounds. J. Zieno will get further information and report back to the board. Other destinations will be discussed at the May meeting.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55PM

The next regular meeting of the City of Norwich Youth Board will be Wednesday May 2nd, 2012 at the City Hall conference room.