

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting June 12, 2024

Board Members

Present: K. Hazen
M. Loughren
P. Marks
H. Graves
J. Colley
Linda Powell-Owens

Absent: M. Telesky
J. Hagenbuch
K. Thompson
B. Burton
J. Brown
J. Eddy
Student Rep: A. Telesky
Student Rep: J. Parker

Also: A. Testani

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairperson P. Marks at 6:00 PM.

A motion to approve the May meeting minutes was made by H. Graves, seconded by J. Colley, approved by all.

Old Business

YBD A. Testani provided the following updates.

Story Walk – The Place has put up the placards at Weiler Park. The placards look nice with a page from the story on each placard. All the feedback on the Story Walk has been positive.

Recreation Coordinator – Abby Flynn has been hired as the Recreation Coordinator. Abby will start July 1st. Abby is currently a teacher at Gibson School working on her masters.

Summer Trips – All summer trips have been booked. We will be taking trips to the Wild Animal Park, Ross Park Zoo, Wonder Works, Rail Explorers, and Water Safari.

Summer Recreation Programs – Sign-ups are slow this year. As of 6/12, only 207 kids signed up for the programs. That is about half of what last year's sign-ups were. AT will send an email out to those that participated last year to see if that helps drive the numbers. Also see about placing an add in the Pennysaver for both the trips and recreation programs. P. Marks will reach out to Pop Warner to let them know about our flag football program.

Summer Employment – I have filled most positions. Two positions are still open, flag football and softball. As of 6/12 we have the same number of lifeguards as we did last summer. We may hire a few additional employees to help cover vacations and other commitments.

New Business

The Youth Board will break for July and August. Our next meeting will be September 4th.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by H. Graves, seconded by J. Colley. Meeting adjourned at 6:30.

The next Youth Board meeting will be Wednesday, September 4th at 6:00 PM at City Court.