Park Commission Minutes 10/4/17

Parks Commission October 4, 2017

Present: Julio Rodriguez, chair, Pam Johnson, Peter Porier, Michel Strawbridge

Julio reported that there was another successful summer at the lake with lifeguards arranged through Berkshire South and free swimming lessons. The life guards were provided with more equipment: fins and masks, two umbrellas and a second chair. We added two accessible picnic tables, one for Green Park and one for lakeside. The second kayak storage unit was quickly occupied and with a total of 24 spots, the problem of boats being scattered around has been resolved.

On the first Saturday in August, the field was the site of movie night. Perhaps because there was a forecast of stormy weather, or maybe owing to insufficient publicity, the event was sparsely attended. The commission will be reviewing whether the tradition should continue.

Julio noted that regular maintenance of the soft ball field will continue as long as the weather holds and there are games. The mowing contract will be extended to cover the Community Center.

This fall, the commission supported the Halloween event located in the library.

We have arranged for more of the skating rink side panels to be repaired and will seek volunteers to help for a couple of hours with the reopening of the rink on Saturday, December 2nd, starting at 9:30 am. Coffee and donuts to be provided.

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