

Village of Kohler
Recreation Committee
February 24, 2010

Chairperson John Pethan called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. Roll call was taken: John Pethan, Lee Benish, Kyle Gebler, Kathy Hoekstra, Cindy Howley and Susie Wandschneider were present. Laura Drew was absent. Staff members present: Bruce Neerhof, Valerie Wandschneider and Cindi Gamb.

Public Comment – none.

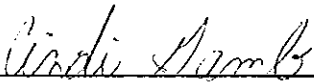
Approve meeting minutes from June 15, 2009 – Motion by Susie Wandschneider, second by Kathy Hoekstra to approve the meeting minutes from June 15, 2009. Motion carried.

Business

1. Welcome Kyle Gebler and Lee Benish to the Recreation Committee – Kyle replaces Sue Field as the resident member and Lee Benish is the new school district representative. Also, Cindy Howley is the new Kohler Co. Recreation Director.
2. Discuss and take action on request from Kohler School District to use the Kohler Youth Center for Lifetime Sports – Susie explained that in 2009 Lifetime Sports used the Youth Center and the facility was staffed by a village employee, however, it was recommended at that time that an alternate location be found. Kelly Cole, Kohler School Physical Education Teacher, explained that she has all the equipment but not the tables that are in the youth center. A letter will be sent to participating students and their parents explaining the objective of the program and the rules of the youth center. The forms will need to be signed by the parents and students. If a student violates the rules, that student will be removed from the unit. During class a teacher will monitor the Youth Center. The committee requested that additional language be added to the letter that if there are any damages, the student will be responsible for the cost of the damages. Also, the committee requested that a schedule of dates and times be provided to Valerie and Susie. Motion by John Pethan, second by Kathy Hoekstra to approve the request from the Kohler School District to use the Kohler Youth Center for Lifetime Sports. Motion carried.
3. Discuss and take action on request from Wendy Tauscheck to use the tennis courts for tennis mini camps – Wendy will be offering two one-week sessions through the Kohler High School. The dates and times do not conflict with any Village Recreation programs. Wendy has discussed this with Susie and Valerie. Motion by John Pethan, second by Lee Benish to approve the request from Wendy Tauscheck to use the tennis courts for tennis mini camps. Motion carried.
4. Discuss and take action on Summer Programs – Kyle Gebler will be replacing Jim Tesmer as the baseball coordinator for this summer. Kyle has been approached by a parent requesting two 5/6 grade teams and a select team for baseball. The committee agreed that if the parents want to form a select baseball team it would not be a Recreation Department program and would not be funded by the Village. Typically “select teams” are not included in recreation department programs. It was agreed that the Recreation Department will have the same teams as last year. It was also noted that the Recreation Department has priority for use of the baseball diamonds. The select team could use the diamonds when not in use by the Recreation Department.

5. Discuss and take action on Staffing for Summer Programs – Susie made a request and it was approved by the Compensation Committee to cut back her hours. She also requested to add two employees for summer program managers. There will be an ad in the March Kohler Villager for these positions.
6. Discuss and take action on Swim Team Agenda – Susie and Valerie have a meeting scheduled with Lee Benish and Lynne Lammers after the Recreation Committee meeting.
7. Discuss opening of the new outdoor pool scheduled for June 22 – the old pools were shut down last summer because the pumps were not working correctly and the repairs were too expensive. The Village Board included funds in the 2010 budget for a new outdoor pool. The new pool is scheduled to open June 22, weather permitting. The committee requested Susie to think about having a grand opening or ribbon cutting ceremony for the new facility.
8. Discuss opening of indoor pool – a new quartz resin type surface is being installed in the pool locker rooms and on the steps going to the pool deck. The curbs in the showers have been removed. The pool will be reopening on April 1.
9. Discuss Implementing Annual Resident User Fee for the Swimming Pools – Susie discussed implementing an annual user fee for village residents to use the pool. A family season pass would be \$20.00. A house guest pass would also be available for \$5.00 per week per person. Susie has checked with other communities and they are charging more than \$20.00 for residents to use their facilities. The committee requested Susie to write up a proposal for the Property Committee to discuss.

Adjourn - Motion by Susie Wandschneider, second by Kathy Hoekstra to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.



Cindi Gamb
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer