

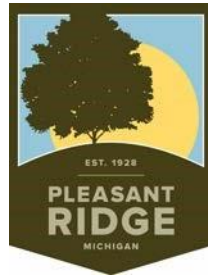
City of Pleasant Ridge

Members of the Recreation Commission and Residents: This shall serve as your official notification of the Regular Recreation Commission Meeting to be held on Wednesday, October 25, 2017, 7:00 P.M., at the Pleasant Ridge Community Center, 4 Ridge Road, Pleasant Ridge, Michigan 48069. The following items are on the agenda for your consideration:

REGULAR RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

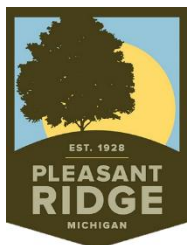
1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Consideration of the following minutes:
 - a. Regular Recreation Commission Meeting held Wednesday, July 26, 2017.
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS- items not on the agenda.
5. Consideration of the 2017 Community Pool Season report.
6. Consideration of the 2018 Recreation Commission Meeting Schedule.
7. Other Business
8. Adjournment.

In the spirit of compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with a disability should feel free to contact the City at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the meeting, if requesting accommodations.



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Minutes of the July 26
Recreation
Commission meeting
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the meeting.



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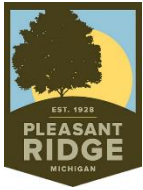
Scott Pietrzak, Assistant City Manager

From: Scott Pietrzak, Assistant City Manager
To: Pleasant Ridge Recreation Commission
Date: October 24, 2017
Re: 2017 End of Year Community Pool Report

Attached you will find the end of year report for the 2017 pool season. It was a very successful summer at the pool with over 18,000 visitors using the facility this season.

I commend the Recreation Commission, City Commission & Administration for its efforts in developing a comprehensive, practical and reasonable plan for guests and fees. After fourteen seasons, the Community Pool and Wellness Center has a system that still works well for the overwhelming majority of residents

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.



2017 Community Pool Season Review



I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the staff at the Community Center/Pool Complex this year for their efforts and commitment to excellence. The fourteenth season at the pool was a challenging one due to the dry weather and high expectations for a great season.

Listed below are my comments about the 2017 season and overall “State of the Pool Address.”

Attendance and Pool Capacity

This summer attendance was right on average with our past 13 seasons. For the most part the weather was nice, warm and from July to Labor Day it was dry.



Being an average year the pool still had many times when it was very busy. Staff was able to manage the crowds comfortably and safely. Wednesday nights were often the busiest, while Friday evenings were slow and weekends are always hectic. 2017 attendance numbers are attached for your review. (Note: attendance figures do not include swim team or daily swim lesson numbers.)

The zero depth area opened weekdays at 11:00 a.m., and was popular with parents and tots. This is a great service to offer the residents. It allows parents to come to the pool before the child’s nap time and enjoy the pool before the temperature is too high.

Weather

Weather dictated much of the schedule this year. The weather conditions this summer were on average with previous seasons, with an average summer temperature of 80.06°, and 56 days of 80° or more. Thunder and lightning caused

the pool to close a number of times during the year, approximately 12 times. Records show approximately eight occasions where the pool was closed for lack of attendance and/or low temperatures.

Members

Membership reports state that 1,626 residents applied for membership (plus a few swim team, employees and Oakridge memberships).

Contamination/Pool Closure

There were zero (0) contamination problems this summer, this is the seventh consecutive summer with zero contaminations. I would wager that no other pool in the State or the Country has a streak like this. A major role in the reduced number of contamination incidents is the clearing of all kids in the pool during adult swim. This gives the kids a time to use the restroom and take a break.

Pool Maintenance

Daily pool maintenance can seem fairly simple, however it is time consuming and tedious. We had zero Health Department violation's on this year's opening report. A second Health Department visit happened when a resident called to complain about the ducks and their droppings. The pool had a duck protocol that we followed to assure the safety of all pool users and swimmers. The health department was satisfied with our policy and did not close the facility or pursue the matter further. Their report states, "Complaint is valid, pool has taken measures to address."



Safety

Safety was & is the top priority at the pool, there were no serious incidents reported this summer. There are always minor scrapes and bruises and those are handled on a case by case basis. Overall, the area has been designed as a "safe" facility, with a very safety conscious staff.



Guest Passes

Having been at the Pool almost every day, I was able to observe the Pool deck during busy hours and received feedback from many, many residents during the

season. There were no complaints about the number of guest passes this season (35 passes), and there were zero purchased punches recorded.

There is the option of purchasing the Pass Plus, which allows one guest each day. Multiple friends each and every day would only add chaos to the Pool, especially when an adult does not necessarily have to be present with the kids.

There were a few comments that non-swimmers and babies should not be counted as a full guest. The bottom line is that capacity numbers include every “body” and includes people on the deck. Capacity levels must be monitored and, therefore, we must count everybody that enters the pool enclosure.

Adult Swim—last 10 minutes of every hour

Adults look forward to the ten minutes of adult swim time every hour. The pool was cleared of all children during this time. There were some complaints saying children, especially infants, should be allowed in the zero depth. The staff feels that all kids need a break from the sun, water & outside influences that are at the pool. As stated above, this policy helps keep contaminations to a minimum (zero) and makes the experience more enjoyable for the adults.

Swim Lessons

Swim Lessons are taught by the lifeguard staff. This year lessons had a number of guards that were new to teaching lessons. The Lessons Team pulled them together and made the year a positive experience for all involved. Lessons were very well attended with 135+ registrations. Ms. Abilyn Cardelli & Ms. Amy Berry did an outstanding job with the planning and organization of the program. I think this year was one of the best for lessons in our 14 year history.

Parents and visitors had no problems with the pool deck clearing procedure that occurred each day at 12:45. It is somewhat inconvenient for visitors, but absolutely necessary. As patrons become accustomed to it, they are appreciative and understanding of the effort. This process definitely eliminates any abuse by non-resident swim lesson attendees.

Swim Team

I would like to offer a special thanks to Colleen Rose for her assistance, support and excellent swim team season. Ms. Rose’s expertise was invaluable and together we were able to provide a fun-filled swim team season. The Swim Team does require significant attention from City Staff. Coordinating the schedules, swim

meets and team needs require a large number of staff hours. As the season progressed and everyone adjusted to the transition of summer swim, the relationship between the Swim Team and the Administration became more relaxed and cooperative. As always, I will work with the coaches and volunteers to make next year's swim season as beneficial to all swimmers as possible.

Ridge Rescue Team

All staff was returning from the previous summer, except for 7 new guards. The level of enthusiasm and the eagerness of the staff was enjoyable. They are routinely reminded to remain focused on the pool versus chatting with friends, and in-service training is mandatory. All in all, the staff members were reliable and conscientious. Emphasis on safety, keeping the pool and locker rooms clean and customer service is always a priority.



Overall, I was very pleased with the staff and their enthusiasm during the summer. Residents seemed to be pleased with the familiarity of the lifeguards.

Summary

I am certainly pleased with the operation of the Pool for the 2017 season. It was a tremendous challenge that required a large amount of time and commitment, but it was great fun! There are many new ideas, plans and improvements planned for next year, and Shawnie and I are already planning for the 2017 swim season. In the meantime, the Community and Wellness Center has our attention and attendance and programs are growing by the day!

Respectfully submitted by:
Scott Pietrzak, Assistant City Manager
Shawnie Stamper, Recreation Assistant Director



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From: Scott Pietrzak, Assistant City Manager
To: Pleasant Ridge Recreation Commission
Date: October 24, 2017
Re: 2018 Recreation Commission Meeting Schedule

The City Commission will be setting the meeting schedules for all commissions at the January meeting. Since we do not have a scheduled meeting until after this meeting we will need to decide in October. The following options are below for your consideration:

Option 1 (Current Schedule): Four meetings a year, with the option to have additional meetings if necessary on the last Wednesday of the month.

- January 31
- April 25
- July 25
- October 24 (changed to the 4th Wednesday, last Wednesday is Halloween)

Option 2: Six meetings a year, with the option to have additional meetings if necessary on the last Wednesday of the month?

- January 31
- March 28
- May 30
- July 25
- September 26
- November 28

Option 3: 11 meetings a year (skip July)

- January 31
- February 28
- March 28
- April 25
- May 30
- June 27
- August 29
- September 26
- October 24 (changed to the 4th Wednesday, last Wednesday is Halloween)
- November 28
- December 26

The last Wednesday of the non-meeting months will be set aside in case the Recreation Commission has business which needs to be addressed prior to the regularly scheduled meeting.

FYI: In 2015 we had 5 meetings & 1 joint workshop. In 2016 we had 5 meetings. In 2017 we had 5 meetings (called a meeting in June to discuss the basketball rims.)

Suggested Motion: *I move that the 2018 Recreation Commission meeting schedule be approved as Option (please select a number) 1, 2 or 3 as presented.*