

Tuesday, January 20, 2015
City of South Lyon Offices
335 South Warren

MINUTES

2:00 PM

Call to Order

Mr. St. Charles called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm

Roll Call of the Board

*Mark St. Charles, Green Oak Charter Township
Patty Carcone, Charter Township of Lyon
Lynne Ladner, City of South Lyon – Not Present*

Also Present

*Amy L. Allen, SLARA Director
Katy Fitzpatrick, SLARA Aquatics Supervisor*

Mary Perszak, SLA Board President

Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda by Mrs. Carcone, 2nd by Mr. St. Charles, motion passes

Approval of November 26th, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the agenda by Mrs. Carcone, 2nd by Mr. St. Charles, motion passes

Approval of Bills – 11/19/14 thru 1/13/15

Motion to approve the agenda by Mrs. Carcone, 2nd by Mr. St. Charles, motion passes

Financial Report

- a. **General Fund Balance – \$404,612.68**
- b. **Community Center Committee Fund Balance – \$19,901.00**
- c. **Capital Improvements Fund Balance - \$245,307.64**

Correspondence

Mrs. Allen told the board all correspondence had been included with board packets for each board member.

“Call to the Public”

Various individuals shared their feeling with the board in regards to the Sea Lions/SLA program proposal. Three individuals in attendance were against the merger. 13 individuals in attendance were in favor of the merger. Ann Nuerberger shared a letter of support for keeping the Sea Lions program.

I) Old Business**1. SLARA Office Updates/Upcoming Events**

- a. **Daddy/Daughter Dance – Friday, February 6th, 2015**
- b. **Mom/Son Superhero Dance – Friday, March 6th, 2015**

2. Community Center Meeting Updates

The committee is now looking at a scaled down version of a community center. They are focusing more on aquatic facilities for the community. They are also looking at the possible site being located at McHattie Park. Mrs. Carcone is going to see how the Lyon Township board would feel about this location and report back. The next meeting will take place on Monday, February 16th at 7 pm at Green Oak.

3. Member Updates

Lyon Township had a fatal vehicle accident in their community today. Please keep families and those involved in your thoughts.

II) New Business**1. Sea Lions Program****a. SLA Merger Proposal, Mary Perczak, South Lyon Aquatics Board President**

Mrs. Perczak shared with the board how the SLA program would run. They would offer more developmental groups to accommodate Sea Lions swimmers. They have adjusted the costs to try to stay in line with what current Sea Lions swimmers are paying. It will benefit the whole community to have just one swim program. Having one group schedule pool time for the swim team can make the program more efficient and time effective. Feels strongly that this is a benefit for the community and the swimmers. Much time was spent answering questions from the board and the public on program specifics.

SLA has worked very hard with SLARA over the last 3 months to come up with a program that they feel is fair and beneficial to all those involved.

SLA presented a contract for the SLARA Board to look over and hopefully sign. There were a few issues that needed further investigation before the contract could be signed. Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Perczak agreed to work on those issue and get the contract ready to go within a week. The board said that they would host a special meeting the second week of February to look over the updated contract. Mrs. Allen will send out that notice as soon as a date and time is determined.

b. Sea Lions Modification Proposal, Katy Fitzpatrick, SLARA

Mrs. Fitzpatrick shared with the board the struggles with the Sea Lions program currently. There is a lack of new staff coming on board. Current staff will be leaving soon. Based on confirmations received today, if a program were to begin on April 1st, it could only accommodate 30 swimmers. The SLARA only has 2 staff confirmed to stay on board, and both of these staff are part time. Staffing has been an ongoing problem. It's to the point where

so much time and money is spent on recruiting staff that the program is lacking. There has been no commitment for a new head coach.

The SLARA recommends that the board moves ahead with the proposal from SLA to take on the Competitive Swim team as a contractor with the SLARA.

III) “Call to the Public”

Adjournment at 4:25 pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 25, 2015 @ 2:00pm

Location: Green Oak Township Offices, 10001 Silver Lake Road

Chair Signature

Secretary Signature

Approval Date