

MINUTES

Troy Recreation Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 15, 2023
4:00 p.m.
Hobart Arena

Members Present: Marty Hobart, President; Tom Dunn, Vice President; Ashley Reed, Secretary; and Eric Herman

Members Absent: Autumn White.

Others Present: Kenneth Siler, Director of Recreation and Carrie Slater, Assistant Director of Recreation.

The meeting was called to order by the President of the Recreation Board, Marty Hobart.

The minutes of the February 15, 2023 Recreation Board meeting were read. It was moved by Mr. Hobart and seconded by Mr. Dunn to approve the minutes as amended. Motion carried.

The Director informed the board that staff has been working to get all of the contractors in place for the summer programs. There will be a new Musical Theater instructor this year. Sonja Hyer did the program for the Recreation Department for about 15 years. She is no longer able to do it. She did connect the department with someone else. Carrie and Donna have been working with her to get dates and the program finalized. Staff is currently working with Tumble U to get the gymnastics program finalized with dates and instructors. The Cheerleading instructors from last year are no longer available this summer. Online registrations for summer programs will begin on April 3rd.

Float Troy registrations began on February 6th. They continue to go well. Reservations are close to where they were at this same time last year. A couple of additional dates were added this year.

This is the last week for the 2022-2023 youth hockey season. The last practices are tomorrow night. The Director is currently working on the online registrations for next season, which will start April 11th. There are a couple of evaluation skates next week for next season. The first email has been sent out to all participants from this season so they know the timeline for registration and evaluation dates.

The Director informed the board that it has been a busy month for the arena. It started with the Cheer Competition followed by the Home Show. There was a hockey tournament the following weekend then the OHSA District Wrestling Tournament. This past weekend was the State LEGO Championships. This was their first time at Hobart Arena. There was some really good

feedback from the event. They have asked about a date for next year. It will likely be held on the same weekend. There were approximately 1,000 people in the building each day. Concessions did well. Staff did catering for about 120 people for their judges hospitality and meals. Everything went well.

Staff is preparing for the AEW Wrestling event this Saturday night. There are approximately 2,500 tickets sold so far. The Director believes there will be approximately 2,700 tickets sold. It should be a good event for the arena. This is their first non-televised event that they have ever done. They are pleased with the number of tickets sold so far for the event. Staff is waiting on merchandise to arrive to get it set up and ready for Saturday. After the AEW Wrestling event staff will start focusing on the Travis Tritt concert. The Director is currently working on submitting offers for some events in the fall. The ice will be going off on March 26th, the system will be shut down and the floor will be cleared and set-up for the Travis Tritt show on March 29th.

Winterguard will be in the arena for two weeks. There is only one event day out of those two weeks from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 20th.

The Director informed the board that arena staff is working on getting a project list together for the spring for the arena and the pool.

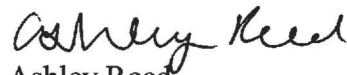
The Assistant Director informed the board that next Wednesday Slagle Mechanical is coming to assist with disconnecting the gas to prepare for moving the old boiler unit out and putting the new one in. Last night there was a lifeguard training session at the YMCA from 4:00 p.m. until about 8:30 p.m. There were fourteen kids who attended. Of the fourteen, nine were staff members from the Troy Aquatic Park who were all successful in completing everything to be certified for the upcoming year. There was also a training over Christmas break with 6 or 7 kids. There is a class in April that currently has 5 kids enrolled. That will be five new certified lifeguards for the summer. She is hoping to get 4 or 5 more additional lifeguards for the summer. She is comfortable that she will get to that point to operate the facility with no impact on operations.

The Director informed the board that as part of the 2023 budget, Council approved to replace the arena ice deck cover for up to \$170,000. When there are non-ice events and the ice is on, the ice is covered with this material. The current ice deck cover is Homasote. It is 12 years old and is in terrible condition. It is disintegrating. The new product will hold up much better and should last 20-25 years. It is a fiber reinforced polyurethane material. Two bids were received for the new ice deck replacement. Covermaster was the low bidder at \$149,053.60. Athletica's bid was \$158,500. The planned timeline to do the initial installation will be at the end of summer ice around the first week of August. It is recommended that the initial installation should be done when the ice is on. The initial installation and cutting of the material is done with

supervision and direction from the supplying company. The new product will then be ready for use for the first non-ice event in the fall. The Director's recommendation to the board is to award the bid to the low bidder, Covermaster. It was moved by Mr. Dunn and seconded by Mr. Herman to recommend awarding the bid to Covermaster in the amount of \$149,053.60. Motion Carried.

Being no further business, it was moved by Mrs. Reed and seconded by Mr. Dunn to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ashley Reed", written in a cursive style.

Ashley Reed
Secretary