

MINUTES

Troy Recreation Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 17, 2025
4:00 p.m.
Hobart Arena

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

Others Present: Kenneth Siler, Director of Recreation; Carrie Slater, Assistant Director of Recreation and Alli Schiffer, Arena Office Manager.

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

The minutes of the August 20, 2025, Recreation Board meeting were read. It was moved by Mr. Dunn and seconded by Mr. Herman that the minutes be approved as read. Motion carried.

The Director informed the board that soccer is in full swing. There were a couple challenges, which have been resolved. The adult hockey league started last night. The league is full with 48 participants. All youth hockey teams started as of last night. Staff have been working on meeting all USA Hockey requirements for coaches related to certifications, background screenings, SafeSport, concussion training, etc. Staff is also getting rosters submitted to USA Hockey and getting them their jerseys. Numbers overall for the fall/winter youth hockey program are pretty good in comparison with where we were last year. There is one additional team in the U14 age group. A couple age groups had to be maxed out because we can't take any more kids. Two nights ago, a hockey parents 101 class was offered. It's the first time that has been done. It was recommended last season at a youth hockey advisory council meeting for new parents coming in that know nothing about hockey. Approximately 20 parents attended and got a lot of positive feedback. We will continue to do it again in future years to help keep people informed.

The Director is working on a set up plan for a show that is scheduled for next Thursday. It is being promoted by Honeywell. It's not an arena show. The Director estimates about 1,500 to 1,600 people will be in attendance. There is a concert hanging for December, which is promoted by Honeywell also. The arena may end up getting that show on the first or second weekend in December.

The board reviewed a year-end report for the Troy Aquatic Park for 2025. The Assistant Recreation Director informed the board this is the 21st year since the new pool has been updated. There was a total of 84 staff members this year. Most of the staff were first year guards who were 15 years of age. It was a little bit of a challenge at first getting them on board and getting them used to working and following policies and procedures. There were no issues with staffing the pool this summer except for a few days. Summer programs at the pool were on target. Swim team registrations had to be cut off. There were approximately 18-20 people on the waiting list. The team was undefeated and won the league championships again this year for the sixth year in a row. Memberships were significantly down this year. The Assistant Director believes it was solely due to the weather. The end of May and the first few weeks of June were very chilly. This year was the highest attendance since 2011. The pool continues to offer private party rentals on Saturday evenings. There are select Saturday evenings because there are some Saturdays that are not available based on other activities happening in the facility. The Party Deck is still utilized and used very heavily on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays throughout the entire summer. The Boogie Board Café concession stand brought in approximately \$106,000 in revenue for the year. It is estimated that the profit from that minus all the expenditures was approximately \$32,000. It was Danielle's second year running the Boogie Board Café. She was solely responsible for all the hiring and training and doing everything in the concession stand with staff. She did a great job. She blends in great with staff and has been with the pool in a part-time status for 16 years as well. She has been a tremendous help at the pool, which was an added bonus to the facility. The Director and Assistant Director reviewed some expenditures on what they think needs to be done for the rest of the season. They anticipate breaking even in 2025 as in 2024. The Assistant Director would like to make increases to offset the continuing increase in minimum wage each year and to offset expenses. She is proposing to make a slight increase in the family pass, adult pass and youth pass. She would also like to make a slight increase in the youth admission, adult admission and the group rate. She is proposing a slight increase in swim lesson instruction fees and swim team registration. All increases are to offset the cost of employee salaries. It was moved by Mrs. Reed and seconded by Mrs. Fisher to approve the proposed program rates and proposed rates for pool memberships and daily admissions. Motion carried.

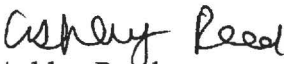
The Director informed the board that as part of the Parks and Recreation Masterplan, they have been doing various focus groups on all the user groups that utilize Troy parks before they put together their final report. They did a focus group last Wednesday with about 10 people representing various user groups within the Troy Aquatic Park. Several members that have been season pass holders for several years were there. A swim team coach was there, a parent of several lifeguards was there, and they provided good feedback and good recommendations.

The board reviewed revised Hobart Arena and Troy Aquatic Park Capital Priority Lists. The IT Department gave recommendations about computer hardware/software, which is inclusive of some computers but also some cameras. There are a significant number of cameras throughout this facility and the Troy Aquatic Park. There are also multiple cameras at Treasure Island Park. They have been added to the Capital Priority Lists for both the Troy Aquatic Park \$12,206.00 and Hobart Arena for \$18,168.00. Sixty-six cameras need to be replaced because they are 10 years old. The automated system for access control in and out of doors of the arena is a recommendation from the IT Department. They have the system in multiple city facilities. It was moved by Mr. Hobart and seconded by Mr. Dunn to approve the revised 2026 additions to the Hobart Arena Capital Priority List and Troy Aquatic Park Capital Priority List. Motion carried.

The Director informed the board that he received one bid for the new ice resurfacing machine from Zamboni, which is the current model. He recommends accepting the bid proposal from Zamboni Company USA, Inc. to include the base bid in addition to all of the alternates with the exception of fast ice and to include two additional blades, which would be a total of \$159,494.00. The expected delivery date is July, 2026. It was moved by Mr. Hobart and seconded by Mr. Herman to award the bid for the new ice resurfacing machine to Zamboni Company USA, Inc. to include the base bid in addition to all of the alternates with the exception of fast ice and to include two additional blades, which would be a total of \$159,494.00. Motion carried.

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

Respectfully submitted,


Ashley Reed
Secretary