

MINUTES

Troy Recreation Board Meeting
Wednesday, June 17, 2026
4:00 p.m.
Hobart Arena

Members Present: Marty Hobart, President; Tom Dunn, Vice President;
Ashley Reed, Secretary; and Jeff Schultz.

Members Absent: Lindsay Fisher.

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

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

The minutes of the May 20, 2026 Recreation Board meeting were read. It was moved by Mr. Schultz and seconded by Mr. Dunn that the minutes be approved as read. Motion carried.

The Director informed the board that the department is in the midst of all summer recreational programs. Most of them have already started and some are wrapping up this week. Water Aerobics is the only one that hasn't started. All are going well. Numbers overall are very good in all the programs. Girls' softball is ending this week. Numbers are up significantly for the upcoming hockey season. They are double where they typically are for this time frame. There are currently 3 open spots in the U8 division. All other divisions are full and have waiting lists except for the Initiation Program. There are currently 12 players registered. That program can take up to 18 registrations. Unfortunately, there are some kids that have been in the program for the last several years at the U12 and U14 divisions that are on the waiting list. The Director sent out reminders several times to remind them to register. At this point they are shut out and not sure what they are going to do.

The Director also informed the board that the first summer concert will be held this coming Saturday at Treasure Island Park. It is Richie and the High Street Rockers, which is a 50's/60's rock band. The weather at this point looks favorable. The Johnny Cash show will be held July 4th leading up to the fireworks.

There are several events forthcoming. The Little River Band was announced on Monday, which will be held December 11th. They are a 70's/80's band. Tickets will go on priority pre-sale tomorrow morning. It is being promoted by Honeywell Arts who is also promoting the Three Dog Nigh show in July.

The Director informed the board that they have been doing interviews with potential consultants for the Duke Park redesign project. There is one more interview next Tuesday so they can work on providing a recommendation to Council.

The Director also informed the board that they are currently working on interviews for the Facility Operator position that is open. There have been 4 interviews over the last couple of weeks. A couple of them will be brought back in for a second interview in the next week or two to try and get the position filled.

Staff had a challenge last week with one of the compressors that cools the ice floor. A motor unexpectedly went out on it. Fortunately, there was a backup at the arena. A new motor will have to be budgeted for 2027. It will be around \$10,000. The Director feels comfortable that they will be able to make through the rest of this year.

The Director informed the board that he received some numbers back for the America 250 Concert from the Visitor's Bureau. There were approximately 6,300 people in attendance. The top number of visitors came from Troy (close to 2,500), Tipp City, Piqua, Sidney and Huber Heights. It was a successful evening.

The Assistant Director informed the board that approximately 452 season passes have been sold to date along with 57 grandparent passes. This is where they typically are at this time of the year. Every year, the goal is to try to sell 500. Things are going well operationally with lifeguard staff. Approximately 10-12 kids have been thrown out for the season. The pool is being used to the max capacity daily. Over the last couple of weeks, there have been some significant electrical problems in the chlorinator and acid feed rooms. The Electrical Department has been helping resolve some issues with that. It did lead to having to replace 2 CAT Controllers that control chemical feeds to the facility along with a motor that needed to be replaced due to a power surge. That has all been replaced. The Assistant Director was very thankful to Patterson Pools for getting these items to the pool in a timely manner.

The board reviewed 2026-27 Ice Rates, Arena Rental Rates, Sponsorship Rates and Concession Rates. The Director informed the board that each year in June the board reviews and approves ice rental rates for the upcoming year starting in September for the beginning of the next ice season. He is trying to get ice rental rates in line with where they would be at other venues. He is trying to close the gap without increasing them too much in one year, so people aren't significantly impacted. He would like to increase the weekly rental rates, weekday and weekday evenings by \$10.00 per hour, weekend rental rates by \$15.00 per hour and freestyle coupons that people purchase when they are going on the ice with their skating pro by \$1.00. He would like to increase the Skating Club's class fees by approximately 5%. He would also like to increase the Troy High School and Troy Skating Club rates by \$10.00 per hour. It was moved by Mrs. Reed and seconded by Mr. Schultz to approve the 2026-27 Ice Rental rates. Motion carried.

The board reviewed the newly proposed 2026-27 Arena Rental rates. Added rates included dry floor rentals, when it's just a concrete floor and the ice isn't down and there are random groups (Winterguard, various percussion groups, indoor soccer, etc.) that want to rent the facility. Also, as in the past, the Troy High School's rental fee has been waived for their scholarship assembly each year in May and also their graduation ceremony. It was moved by Mr. Dunn and seconded by Mrs. Reed to approve the 2026-27 Arena Rental rates. Motion carried. The board reviewed Sponsorship Signage Rates. They were approved by the board approximately 10 years ago. The rates are the same. The arena has been successful in securing and maintaining sponsors. Some have been randomly lost along the way but we have been able to successfully fill them with someone new. Most of the signage in the building around the perimeter of the floor and the signage created in the corridors are filled with current sponsors with the exception of one spot. It was moved by Mr. Hobart and seconded by Mr. Schultz to approve to approve the 2026-27 Sponsorship Signage Rates. Motion carried. The board reviewed concession rates for events, concerts, pool and alcohol. The Director informed the board that concessions rates are generally priced differently. For example, a public skating session versus a concert event. The Director would like to modify alcohol pricing slightly because there are events where there are private events or something in the Bravo Room where it has been slightly adjusted. It has been \$7.00 for arena events. Sometimes on occasion it has been \$6.00 during Bravo Room events. If there are specials (food that will expire, overage of ice cream, etc.) the board approved The Director to approve specials or sales to be ran on items to get rid of certain items. The Director said the specials are more for the pool. It was moved by Mr. Hobart and seconded by Mrs. Reed to approve Concession Rates for Events, Concerts, Alcohol and Pool. Motion carried. It was moved by Mr. Schultz and seconded by Mr. Dunn to authorize the Director to have specials on items that need to be sold. Motion carried.

The Director informed the board that there was a bid opening for the Troy Aquatic Park Maintenance Project on May 13th. Two bids were received. There were many questions from a third contractor who did not bid. The base bids were \$2,023,000 and \$2,047,000. They were within \$24,000 of each other. The Director feels that the timing is okay to continue to go back out and rebid the project and still be able to accomplish the project between the end of the 2026 season and prior to the 2027 season. MSA provided and followed up with the two contractors that bid for the project to get some feedback from them as to why it fell where it did versus where their original estimates were. A good portion of it is related to the joint replacement repairs in the pool, which is a significant part of the project. The labor with that is significantly more than what MSA anticipated. There were also additional costs related to the installation of frequency drives on the pump motors for all of the pumps in the back (slides, play feature, geysers). The rope fencing throughout the facility is in terrible condition. It will have to be redone. There are some issues with the steel canopy in the front. There are issues with the wood structural columns. They are rotting out. Under the direction of MSA, when the project was bid out, they recommended to put several items as alternates to give flexibility in awarding the project. The base bids did not include the alternates. It was moved by Mr. Hobart and seconded

by Mrs. Reed to consider providing a recommendation to Troy City Council that the Director of Public Service and Safety be authorized to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for the Troy Aquatic Park (TAP) Maintenance Project at an authorization amount increased from \$1,700,000 to \$2,500,000. Motion carried.

The Director informed the board that he has a request for a refund for a hockey registration for a U8 player. It does not meet the refund policy. The board agreed to no refund.

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

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ashley Reed".

Ashley Reed
Secretary