

RECREATION BOARD MINUTES 12-19-18

The 12-19-18 meeting of the Portsmouth Recreation Board was held in the Principal's conference room at Portsmouth High School. The meeting started at 6:30 p.m.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Chairman Carl Diemer, City Council representative Rick Becksted, School Representative Tara Kennedy, Todd Henley, Lisa Louitt, Rich Blalock, Kory Sirmain, Jackie Pitts, Recreation Director Rus Wilson

MEMBERS EXCUSE: Kathy Lynch

GUESTS: Barry Foley, Tim Bailey, Brinn Sullivan

- A communications item was moved up on the agenda so the public could speak on the ash overflow from the July 3rd fireworks onto private property. After a little discussion, it was decided the Recreation Director will work with the fireworks company to minimize any ash outside the "fall circle" and with DPW to clean up any "after event ash" on private property.
- Recreation Director gave an update on the ballfield complex at the property behind the DPW complex. Funds have been approved and the project will go forward.
- The new bathhouse at Peirce Island pool was discussed with plans being drawn up and construction to begin after the pool closes in 2019.
- Rus introduced the new pool manager, who could not be in attendance, but Lexy van Binsbergen is a 20 year employee of the pool.
- Brinn Sullivan gave a review and update on the Holiday parade, senior activities, senior transportation and the Dobles property. Many compliments given on the Holiday parade and the progress of the Dobles property.
- Tim Bailey gave an update on the Prescott Park boat dock security measures, Spinnaker Point Recreation Center activities and other special events.
- Letter of support for natural grass fields at the new field complex was read and place on file.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.