

Fayette County Recreation Commission Meeting

May 9, 2017

6:30pm at the Kiwanis Park Activities House

Present:

Charles McCollum (presided)
Terrence Williamson
Nancy Holland

Fayette County Recreation Department:

Ms. Anita Godbee, Director

Absent:

Bradley Klinger
Lisa Mahaffey

Guests:

Coweta County Event Services:

Mr. Tray Baggaly, Director and Secretary of Coweta Sports Hall of Fame Board
Mr. Joe Crain, Sr., President of Coweta Sports Hall of Fame Board
Mr. Dwayne Thomas, President of Fayette County Youth Football, Blue Devils
Mr. Mark Brown, Fayette County Community Football
Mr. Geimere Latmer, President of Sandy Creek Youth Football

Welcome, Invocation and Pledge led by Charles McCollum

Minutes: Terrence Williamson made a motion to accept the April 2017 minutes. Nancy Holland 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3-0-2 (absent).

Old Business:

Hall of Fame:

- Mr. Tray Baggaly and Mr. Joe Crain, Sr. provided the Fifteenth Annual Induction Banquet program for February 11, 2017. Thank you to Lisa Mahaffey for coordinating the visit by these gentlemen.
- Fayette Recreation Commission asked Mr. Beggaly and Mr. Crain to explain how their Hall of Fame program worked.
- Inside the program, it lists the criteria for Hall of Fame candidate.
- Mr. Crain mentioned that this has been done for 15 years and went over some do's and don'ts.
- Don't have too many people in the pool. It can leave a small number for the following year.
- One nominee was a community person but did not have a college degree.
- They hired an attorney to draw up a 5013C

- Formed a Selection Committee
- Have a one page application for Hall of Fame nominees.
- Scholarship to a student from four local schools. A committee was created and award was given to student with the most need.
- By Laws were drawn up
- Prerequisite was to be at least 50 y/o or retired.
- Gave number and address of plaque company. Cost is approx. \$225.00 each.
- Vision Mark, Nameplate Company, LLC
- P.O. Box 280
- New Knoxville, OH 45871
- 419-977-3131 and fax 419-753-3132
- They have a memorabilia collection of jerseys, jackets, photos, etc. and it is located in a room of the Newnan Board of Education. Photos were provided.
- During the Banquet, schools who have had a state championship that year are recognized.
- Our questions are: Is there a conflict between the school?
- Get with schools to see how they select their candidates
- A committee that would be under the Fayette Recreation Department would be needed for Hall of Fame Banquet/Committee.
- Charles thanked them for coming. Assistance was offered for future queries.

New Business:

Confusion of the names of local youth football leagues:

Mr. Mark Brown:

“Fayette County Youth Football” to be an inclusive football league for those in county. Organization would like to work with other football leagues in the county. However, other leagues such as Blue Devils, Sandy Creek youth football have had quite a bit of backlash regarding signs being placed at schools with Fayette County Youth Football written on signage. The names are too similar.

Mr. Brown was notified that Fayette County Youth Football has a 5013C and has the same name for 50 years.

Mr. Brown informed Mr. Dwayne Thomas that if there are signs in the schools that read that, to “Take them down and throw them away.”

- Mr. McCollum informed Mr. Brown to change the name of the team so it does not mirror Fayette County youth football.
- Mr. Brown understood the confusion.
- Mr. Latmer of Sandy Creek Youth Football said that he and the Blue Devils have a great working relationship with each other even though they play each other.
- Sandy Creek Youth Football has approximately 150 kids.
- Charles instructed Dwayne Thomas (and Mr. Geiger and he agreed) to put on Facebook that a meeting was held and the situation is resolved. There isn't anyone encroaching on football teams.
- Control Fights at the parks during tournaments. A “Zero Tolerance Policy” will be read during games and put on Facebook. Visiting teams will be notified in writing and notified in the be-

ginning that if a violation occurs, they will not be asked to come back and registration fees will not be accepted.

- If a fight occurs, call 911

STAFF REPORTS:

Board of Commissioners Meeting will be held on May 25th at 7pm. SOP will be there.

There will be a road widening project on Highway 54 north of McDonough Road going toward 1941. Project expected to last approx. 2 years.

Charles, "We wish Lisa a speedy recovery."

BOARD REPORTS:

NONE

Terrence Williamson made a motion to adjourn, Nancy Holland 2nd the motion. Passed 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.