

NEWPRO Meeting Minutes Thursday, January 19th Host – Ashwaubenon Park and Recreation

ATTENDANCE: Steph Schlag – Bellevue, Chelsey Latimer – Appleton, Andrew Busker – Fond du Lac, David Roehrig – Ashwaubenon, Mel Escoto – Ashwaubenon, Kent Kostelecky – Marinette, Chad Dallman – Oshkosh, Laurie Olson – Neenah, Jim Kluge – Neenah, Pat Baye/ Jeremy Crees/ Ann Moeller/ Kaurie Mihm – Green Bay, Ben Zeier – Appleton, Mike Swiatnicki – Marinette, Matt Hahn– Allouez, Nikki Hilker– Suamico, Nikki Wendt –Appleton, Rick Leduina—Brown County, Ginger Arndt– New London, Don Melichar– DePere, Tom Flick—Appleton, Lindsay Hansen–Calumet County, Kristine Butteris/Loren Dieck –Outagamie County, Matt Hendricks– Shawano, Erik Aleson– Door County, Adam Breet –Little Chute, Holly Femal—Kimberly, Trish Nau- ECWRPC,

Host Report: Rex Melhberg, Director of Parks & Recreation for Ashwaubenon, highlighted the department projects and referendum process with the new community center, pool and auditorium

Reports:

WPRA •Tom Flick –membership fees have not been raised in a long time • “ Sammy” handles membership/ impact..ect... are they worth keeping versus having someone on staff.

Park Section • Park Tour is planned for Eau Claire in 2017, and final details of workshop are being set, and announcement will be in the Impact .

Rec. Section • looking for speakers/ topics for conference

Aquatic Section • Update on Red Cross program price increase discussed. Contact Curtis at the Red Cross if you are interested in a program price freeze for 2017. New materials should be coming out in January. Melody Will Notify everyone when they can send their LGI to get certified in the new material. Section is going to be working on getting a training in each region. Needs to be done in a year or you will loose your LGI. There is an online portion and a in-water portion to the recertification process.

NEWPRO Account Balance - \$203.27

Discussion:

A) Snow shoes • Charges ranged from between \$2– 5 for child rental \$4-6 for adult

B) Day Camp ideas • De Young Zoo/ Blue Harbor/ Bookworm Garden in Sheboygan

C) Swim lesson trends • some are struggling, other are staying the same. Private lessons are very successful , think about paying staff more money to work them

D) Indoor pool events• Halloween Bash/ Underwater Easter egg Hunt/ Glow sticks in clear eggs

E) Movies in the park • Neenah uses Fun flicks, people are still running them, people seem to like the newer movies ... older movies are getting poor turn outs

F) Deposits• Some take deposit(Ashwaubenon/ Bellevue) / some bill if there is damage(Marinette). Always take pictures of damage

G) User issues • charge extra grounds fee, only allow bounce houses in specific areas .

H) Amenities• no upcharge, most are included in rental cost.

I) Summer Concerts• Neenah uses company called “Gig Masters” / most bands are sponsored cost range from free-\$6000

Raffle and adjourn at 12:30p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Melody Escoto Ashwaubenon Parks & Recreation Department