



**CITY OF MIDDLETOWN
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
APRIL 10, 2024**

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Higbie, Williams, Strenfel, Gipson, Galdamez

Absent: DeJesus, Gill

Correspondence

Nothing to report.

Approval of Minutes

Accept the Minutes of March 13, 2024

Audit

There was a change to the audit shown on the agenda. March 2024 Program Revenue was \$18,890 and 2024 Year to Date is \$41,124.00.

Date	Amount	Budget Detail
March 2024	\$18,885.00	Program Revenue
2024	\$0	Grant Money Recieved
2024 Year to Date	\$41,119.00	All Revenues Year to Date

Superintendent's Report

- **Personnel**

1. We are still waiting to hire 1 full-timer. 4 seasonal workers working with our

Parks Department. Looking for a lacrosse instructor for clinics.

- **Recreation Activities**

1. FREE – Teen & Youth Open Gym, Teen Boxing, Storytime Come Alive, Youth Fitness and Toddler Music Class.
2. PAID – Young Warriors Boxing Program, Little RECCers Toddler, Adult Pickle Ball Clinics, Adult Pickle Ball Open Gym, Youth Martial Arts, Youth Volleyball Clinics, Adult Volleyball Open Play, Youth Basketball Clinics, Cheerleading Clinics, Crochet Clinics, Baby & Me Fitness, Youth Music Classes, Baby ASL Class and Youth Art Classes.
3. PROGRAM REGISTRATION – Double Dutch Class, Stroller Fitness, Soccer Clinics, Little People Playtime and Sports Camp.
4. SPECIAL EVENTS – Preparing for the July skateboarding contest.

- **Maintenance**

1. Little League fields daily field maintenance.
2. Reservoir trails daily maintenance.
3. Prepping Dog Park for obstacles.
4. Picking parks daily.
5. Checking playgrounds and spreading mulch.

Remarks from the Recreation and Parks Committee Members

Alderman Kleiner asked about the netting at Watts Park and Insurance coverage. Raelynn stated there are no current plans to extend the netting or require Little League to change their insurance. However, she stated it would be monitored.

Alderman Wit asked if there would be a need for an employee at camp who specializes in social and emotional support for campers. After open discussion about what Middletown Schools offers, having someone who is trained as a Crisis Interventionist or a Support Facilitator would be ideal. Raelynn agrees and is in full support of this idea. She explained some of the instances where these employees would be needed and how they would be used multiple times a day based on experiences at camp. Raelynn will look further into this and request a meeting with the Mayor and Alderman Wit to further discuss the need to extend the budget and the need for these employees.

Old Business

Sports Camp

Raelynn discussed how we have verbal clearance to use Monhagen Middle School for Sports Camp. However, stipulations still need to be discussed.

CivicRec

Raelynn informed everyone that CivicRec is up and running while simultaneously accepting spring registration on our previous BAS website.

New Business

Lifeguards

Raelynn informed everyone there are enough lifeguards, including subs, for this summer, and we do not have to offer a certificate class.

OldSkewl Sports

Raelynn reported that she was notified Old Skewl sports used Wolslayer Field without a permit, and they were granted permission by someone else within the City. Raelynn notified Mike Tepper and asked him to fill out a permit to use the facility and everything would be done properly.

Announcements

Raelynn announced that she nominated Dan Higbie of MidCity Transit to receive an award at the Orange County Youth Bureau annual County Executive's Award Ceremony. He was selected as an award recipient and will receive the Asset Builder for Outstanding Business Community Partner Award.

Jaycee asked about having programs within the local neighborhood communities. She explained how not all people have the luxury of transportation and people are missing out on the great programs we offer. Raelynn agrees and will look into this.

Adjournment

Motion by: Strenfel **Seconded by:** Gipson

AYES: Higbie, Williams, Strenfel, Gipson, Galdamez

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None