

DOVER RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
July 18, 2005

I. Call To Order: Bob Carrier called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Present: Gary Bannon, Bob Carrier, Pete Michel, Chuck Maglaras, Mark Hyson, Joe Tenuta, and Rich Thorpe and Jon Sibik. Also present were Gary Gilmore and Nick Skaltis from the McConnell Re-Use Committee as well as the City Manager Mike Joyal.

Absent: Ed Murphy, Gil Hartman, and Bob Keays – City Council Liaison

II. Approval of June 13, 2005 Minutes: Bob Carrier made a motion to accept the June 13, 2005 Rich Thorpe seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

III. Citizen's Forum: A presentation from the City Manager Mike Joyal and Gary Gilmore and Nick Skaltis from the McConnell Re-Use Committee was presented to the board. The McConnell Center building is approximately 100,000 square feet. Recreation is going to be one of the key tenants. A final configuration has not been formalize yet. The approximate cost to renovate the building is around 5.5 million dollars. Mike Joyal stated that he wanted to show the preliminary configurations to the Recreation Advisory Board for their comments. Mike Joyal went on to state that outside tenants will help pay for renovation costs. The thought of the board was that the Dover Recreation programs can not afford to lose any gym or activity space.. The board stated that Dover Recreation would need a comparable gym to the Butterfield gym in addition to still continue using the McConnell Gym and the school gyms. Mike Joyal stated that he has spoken with the Superintendent of Schools and that the two Middle School gymnasiums would be available for Recreation to use. Mike Joyal asked if a representative from the board could go the next City Council meeting and let them how what the feeling of the board is.

Bob Carrier asked that the City Manager keep the Recreation Advisory Board informed.

IV. Reports – Kaestle Boos Associates – Maglaras Park Update: Ken Costello from Kaestle Boos Associates made a presentation to the board and informed us of how the Maglaras Park Plan is coming along. Ken stated that there was a public input session on June 7th. He stated that there were a lot of great ideas that were shared with his company during the meeting. Basketball Courts will need to be added to the specifications. Kastle Boos Associates met with the environmental engineers regarding dredge space. Kaestle Boos Associates is going to formulate all the suggestions that the public had, as well as, using what the Recreation Advisory Board has suggested for site plans. Ken Costello stated he would get back to the board with another update in the September meeting.

V. Old Business: There was no old business discussed at this meeting.

VI. Adjourn: Bob Carrier made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rich Thorpe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Mark R. Hyson