



**NEWPRO Meeting
Thursday, May 17, 2018**

HOSTED BY:

Ashwaubenon Parks, Recreation & Forestry
Ashwaubenon Community Center
Bukowski Activity Room
900 Anderson Drive
Ashwaubenon, WI 54304

**9:30am Networking & Refreshments
10:00am Meeting**

1. Call to Order

- a. Welcome
- b. Introductions
- c. Host Report
- d. Presentation: Aaron Schuette, Ashwaubenon Community Development Director: Plans and processes for the Green Bay Packer Titletown Entertainment District and the new Bullfrogs Baseball Stadium

2. Reports

- a. WPRRA-working on board manuals, looking for someone from regions 1 & 2 to work on some legislative topics
- b. Park Section-The WPRRA Park Section Board met online on May 15. The Spring workshop was discussed with kudos going out to the team that scrambled to accommodate the snowy weather on the park tour. Sessions were well attended and speakers well received. The fall conference moderator scheduled is being compiled. The board was updated on the NEWPRO meeting today and the next meeting taking place in September. It was also noted that if you work with any commercial vendor members of WPRRA to let them know to get their articles in for the Commercial Corner section of Impact! asap as space is limited. The deadline for the fall edition is July 31.
- c. Recreation Section-Spring Workshop (beginning of June) is in Neenah, lots of good game ideas & team events
- d. Aquatics Section-no report
- e. Conference and Spring Workshop Updates-coming together well, more info to come
- f. Other (Membership, Awards, nominations, etc.)-all are in PR monthly
- g. NEWPRO Account Balance-\$257.54

3. Discussion/Possible Action: Student Scholarship Sponsor, WPRRA Golf Outing Sponsor-Student Scholarship \$100 & Golf Hole Sponsor \$150. "A motion was made by Kent Kostecky (Marinette) and seconded by Rob Way (Winnebago Co.) to make a donation of \$100 for a WPRRA student scholarship for the upcoming state conference, with preference to a student from Region 2, and to sponsor a hole at the WPRRA Golf outing for \$150. This motion was passed unanimously by those in attendance at today's meeting."

4. Discussion

- a. Staff incentives: What do you do to recruit and retain staff? Free apparel? Paid Training? Referral incentives? Team building activities? Oshkosh does an appreciation dinner/cook outs
- b. Payrates for summer and seasonal park maintenance workers, parkies/ recreation staff, and how is the recruiting going? Are you having to compete with local business.....or does the job "fun factor" still bring in enough applications? Bellevue-\$12 Oshkosh-\$10 Menasha-\$9.50 Ashwaubenon \$10-\$11
- c. Park Development fees: What are you using them on? Did anyone see the article in the Capital Times on what Madison is doing? Rex will send out the article he was referring to
- d. Ga Ga pits....anyone have them? How are they working? Pro's and cons. Ashwaubenon wants one/contact YMCA
- e. Aquatics: Any new fun "theme" days at your pool facility? Any new concession items, or big sellers at your pools? Oshkosh Ducky Days

5. Raffle

6. Adjourn

NEWPRO Meeting Schedule for 2018

Sept 20—Winnebago County

October 18—Brown County Parks

November 1—Annual Meeting, Green Bay

December 20—Outagamie County