

Recreation and Community Engagement Committee  
Agenda 3/21/24 @7pm

- Attendance
- Introductions (if new members) & who wants to be Secretary for this meeting? (Ellen Marcus is stand-in chair until replacement, and Mackenzie Brown is Vice chair)
- Ellen is looking to step down as president/chair and would like to offer for someone to take over.
- Approval of 2/15/24 Minutes
- Recreation Department updates
- Updates on Possibilities to make Recreation center more accessible? Priscilla will follow up – Jon looked up bike routes to the Recreation center
- Priscilla's description in newsletter- updates
- Mackenzie will reach out about getting something set up table for Expo
- Playgrounds – for next agenda – follow up on playgrounds asking a MC county to join meeting etc. – someone get the key person for Becca Lilly bulletin board
- AI: Collaborate on communicating with the council - Council Member Small is our liaison. (Priscilla - main role in past has been to help the recreation center and provide assistance - starting basketball program was one example years ago)
- · Right now, we do not have anyone from Ward 6 represented on our committee and should seek to get help with adding someone from Ward 6. Let's wait for new Chair.
- Re-visit in-person meetings – maybe something to keep on agenda until the new library is complete and there is additional community space available for us to have something there.
- Age limit for members?
- New Hampshire Ave Library promotion updates and plans (semi-permanent agenda item)
- Takoma Park Fitness Expo Saturday April 6, 2024. Time: 10am -2pm
- Library reno is happening now
- Playground: the last three years 33 playgrounds renovated, 2 have been completely redone and one somewhat redone. The committee could be lobbying the county to improve the parks that are in Takoma Park and that could also be having/inviting them to one of these meetings to speak right. It is asked the committee members if they know any playground not renovated yet.
- Next meeting's agenda:
  - o a follow up on playgrounds what we find out about Montgomery County parks that need to be renovated and then we will ask a speaker from the county.
- Not in person meeting till further notice-because of the rec under construction. We will keep having the meeting via zoom.
- Blue zone chat, inputs (possibility for a movie night, etc)
- Additional topics if we have time (BYO topic!)
- Next meeting: Thursday 4/18/24 @ 7pm
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