

**MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 26, 2015 MEETING OF THE
BRECKSVILLE RECREATION COMMISSION**

Recreation Commission Chairperson Brian Stucky called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Roll Call was taken. Members present: Pat Barth, Candice Beaver, Bob Ganley, Nicole Kern, Don Lastoria, and Brian Stucky. Also present Recreation Director Tom Tupa, Clerk of Recreation Commission Kelly McNeill, Athletic Director Pete Kormos and CYVO President Meg English. Absent: Council Representative Laura Redinger.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 8, 2014 MEETING

A motion was made by Don Lastoria and seconded by Bob Ganley to dispense with reading of the minutes and to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No Report

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:

No Report.

RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT:

Recreation Director Tom Tupa's reported on the following Capital Projects and other Housekeeping items for 2015:

1. The walls/dividers in the Community Rooms will be repaired (mechanical issues/wall coverings.)
2. The Field House floor will be screened.
3. Purchasing (2) two lawn mowers for the Blossom property.
4. Replacing the blinds in the Community Room.
5. Door and Window refurbish project
6. Replacing (3) three features at Kids Quarters (tunnel/slide area, taking away the hillside, zipline and the tire climber) *Also, the City is writing for a "Nature Works Grant" to help fund this project.

Other "housekeeping" items:

1. Re-doing the stairs going up to the Fitness area
2. Touch up painting will be going on
3. Rhonda Miko, our new Fitness Coordinator, will purchase new TV's for the Cardio/Fitness area and as well as new fitness equipment with the monies received from Corporate memberships.

Tupa reported Corporate Memberships are growing. In 2014 there were 131 Corporate Members. As of January 26, 2015, there are 91 Corporate Members.

Tupa reported on the following “Events” at the Community:

- 1. February 7, 2015 from 7pm to 9pm – Father Daughter Dance.**
- 2. Fe 1st Sign-up for Visit with the Easter Bunny & the Aqua Easter Egg Hunt. Ages 6 months to 10 years of age.**
- 3. The BBHHS Swim team’s season with be wrapping up in the next three weeks. Many kids made it to States.**
- 4. The tax credit was passed by City Council in December. The city will start collecting and hopefully projects will begin at the end of this year or very early next year.**
- 5. In February, there will be a Spin Marathon and Yoga Marathon, each 2 ½ hours. The cost will be \$20 a person.**
- 6. Memberships are going well, both Corporate & General. December was a big month for Community Center Memberships, as well as January.**

Tupa welcomed Nicole Kern to the Recreation Commission.

Athletic Director Pete Kormos reported on the following:

- 1. February 1, 2015 Soccer Academy registration begins.**
- 2. Pee Wee Basketball registration is currently going on.**
- 3. March 1st is the day for Summer Programs registration**

CVYO:

CVYO President Meg English reported the CVSA, the high school soccer program, is in the final stages of approving all of their paperwork. This group needed to be formed due to the Ohio High School rules (allowing only 5 kids per team.) Formed this league with North Royalton and Nordonia. Last year there were six boys High School teams and two girls teams. The idea is to get high school kids to enjoy playing soccer year round together.

Brian Stucky reported the CVSA will need to use the City’s fields. Need to come up with a fee schedule for them to use the fields. Currently there is a fee for the BSA \$20/person plus \$5 per game. Stucky believes this fee is too high for the CVSA because they are not going to be using the field as often as the BSA.

1. Stucky asked Tupa to please get back to him with a fee schedule.
2. Stucky also wants to know if the younger teams (for example U12) from the CVSA, who do not have Brecksville-Broadview Heights kids on their teams, can use the fields. If so, what is the criteria?

During the conversation questions were also raised about the following:

1. Are we charging per practice slot or per player?
2. What is the pecking order? Recreation/ BSA needs/Lacrosse Needs/CVSA needs

Meg English suggested they provide us with what they think their needs will be, the number of participants per team and the number of Brecksville-Broadview Heights residents per team.

English informed all of her organizations of the new fee structure.

BTBA

Winter workouts are going on. Practice facilities are very spare and limited. The BTBA is currently using Central School's small gym on Monday, Wednesdays & Fridays, the larger gym at Central School on Fridays, and the Auxiliary gym at the high school on Sundays. Also using the Royalton Field House, the Dug Out and the Brecksville Batting cages.

BSA:

Brian Stucky reported the Brecksville Soccer Academy was started in 2008. Broadview Heights was not happy that it was called the Brecksville Soccer Academy so the name was changed to Bees Soccer Academy. Paula Horner & Mayor Alai wrote the parameters as to how the BSA program would work between the two cities. In 2013, Tom Tupa and Paula Horner were taken off as "voting" members of the BSA board because neither one could attend the meetings which prevented a quorum. Pete Kormos & Brian Stucky met 1-2 times with Paula Horner and Gary Diel expressing the concern that the kids are not moving on to the BSA. Paula Horner said the kids were playing other sports and it doesn't matter that they are dropping off, as long as they are playing a sport. Now Broadview Heights has announced that they are now melding their program with Penine, a rival program to have a travel soccer program. Horner went on to say that they are meeting with Dan Kalinsky to discuss opportunities with the high school.

Out of the six soccer coaches coaching at the high school, all six coaches coach with the BSA because the BSA is supposed to be a Brecksville-Broadview Heights program. Stucky believes there should just be one travel program. The BSA will continue to take care of Brecksville-Broadview Heights kids. Broadview Heights kids can still sign up for the BSA.

Run For Your Life:

Brian Stucky reported the Run For Your Life program is going well.

9am-10am High school kids

10am-11am Junior High kids

11am-12noon Kids ages 5-7 and families

The Run For Your Life program is run from the proceeds of the 5K Marathon.

COMMISSION ROUND TABLE:

Don Lastoria remarked on how impressive Mayor Hruby's comments were at the City Council Meeting regarding the tax credit. He was amazing.

Bob Ganley stated he is thrilled with the changes planned for Kids Quarters. Tom Tupa said the grant work should be sent out at the beginning of February.

Brian Stucky thanked Mayor Hruby and City Council for passing the tax credit. This will allow the city to start looking at many projects. Stucky stated he was very impressed and proud of those who spoke but was very disappointed at the turnout.

English reported after the vote, she expressed her disappointment with the parents involved in the CVYO groups (BTBA, BSA, Lacrosse) for not showing their support at the City Council Meeting. She feels its important to start to lay the ground work by telling them how important it is for these groups to "support" and show up for these meetings in the future.

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Bob Ganley and Candice Beaver seconded by to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Kelly McNeill

Recreation Commission Secretary/Clerk of Commission