

BRECKSVILLE RECREATION COMMISSION
February 22, 2016 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Commission Chairman Brian Stucky at 7:30 pm.

Roll Call was taken.

Members present: Barth, Beaver, Lastoria, Redinger, Stucky.

Also present: Recreation Director Tom Tupa, Athletic Director Peter Kormos and CYVO President Meg English.

Absent: Ganley and Kern

Approval of Minutes for December Meeting:

Motion was made by Barth, seconded by Beaver to dispense with the reading of the January 25, 2016 minutes and to approve them as written.

Mayor's Report:

N/A

Council Representative Report:

Councilperson Redinger reported that City Council has approved an expenditure to have Gerry Wise design a plan for the complete renovation of the three baseball diamonds behind City Hall and the surrounding area. This would also include looking into a synthetic infield design. There is a possibility that the work might need to be performed in a 3 year cycle depending on the projected project cost. Recreation Director Tupa spoke about his concerns regarding the project being spread out over three years.

Recreation Director Report:

Recreation Director Tom Tupa reported the following that the Father-Daughter Dance was sold out and he had heard a bunch of great comments, all in attendance had a great time. Thanks to Erin, Pete, Bob and Carolyn for all their work on the event. Next upcoming Special Event will be the Visit with the Easter Bunny on March 22nd, signups will begin March 1st. The Community Center is having a Spinning and a Yoga Hip Opening Marathon Class on Saturday March 5th. The Community Center stairs project leading up to the fitness area is completed, it went well, and looks great. The netting for the soccer field at Blossom will be going to the next City Council Meeting for approval. It will be located on the

south end of the turf field and will be 20 feet tall. This should help resolve some of the safety issues for the pedestrians and cars on the outside of the field, as well as extend the life of the fence.

On Wednesday Tupa and Kormos will be meeting with a new vendor for the Kids Quarter Project which will hopefully be started soon in the spring. The City did not receive the grant monies they applied for, and the existing vendor no longer carries the line of equipment they are looking at so this new vendor will be able to supply updated pricing on the features that will be updated.

At the State of the City, the Mayor mentioned that more of the Community Center fitness equipment will be replaced this year. The monies from the Corporate Membership Program will be used for this upgrade along with possibly a little extra funds. Fitness Director, Rhonda Miko is putting together a priority list of the equipment that should be replaced or added.

The City applied for a grant for monies to help pay for the cost of the City Hall Ballfield renovation project. The plan is to redo everything and add improvements to the Ballfields and the surrounding area including new fencing, press box, comfort station, and paving the surrounding areas to make it easier to get supplies to the dugouts.

The door and window project at the Community Center is underway. The front doors and some of the Natatorium doors have been addressed and the rest of the Natatorium doors and windows will be completed soon.

The City is looking for ways to reduce the electric bills citywide. The Field Houses at the Community Center and Blossom Hill will both be changing over to new LED lights that are compatible with the existing lighting fixtures. The service department installed two different sample bulb types at each location, and they have chosen the preferred replacement for the current metal halite bulbs.

The Service Department has been busy performing some needed painting and maintenance.

CVYO:

Director Meg English reported how proud she was of the City's turnout at St. Basil for the memorial service for Tony Niccoli. She also thanked the City for allowing the reception to be at the Community Center. She thanked everyone who turned out to honor Tony and helped to make this time easier on the family.

Meg also noted that in regards to the field renovation project, they cannot go without those three fields that have lights during the season. She hopes that the work will be able to be completed after the beginning of August and be completed by April of the following year.

BSA:

Brian Stucky publically thanked Pete, Tom, Bob, Jim, Carolyn and Jinny for going above and beyond for Tony Niccoli's reception. He noted how the CVYO, BTBS, BTSA, and Run 4 Your Life all pitched in to pay for the food. They had initially planned on food for 200 and ended up needing food for 400 on the fly.

On August 20th, there will be a Tony Niccoli Soccer Day at the Tony Niccoli Field. It will be similar to the type of event they had for the Field Dedication with JVA, Varsity and Alumni Games.

There will also be a new Tony Niccoli Memorial Scholarship offered through the BSA. There will be a fundraiser on April 15th for the Scholarship. This will be similar to the scholarship already in place for Chuck McLuckie.

Run 4 Your Life:

Registration for the spring and summer sessions will begin March 1st. A concern was raised regarding the 3:30pm start time after school for the younger students. Brian Stucky informed the commission that it is alright if of the participants come a little late due to their later school dismissal times. Athletic Director Pete Kormos stated he could add that note to the registration information.

Other Business:

Athletic Director Pete Kormos stated that PeeWee Basketball and Start Smart Basketball will be starting in the next few weeks and that March 1st will begin registration for all the summer athletic programs. Online registration will begin online at 5am for Summer Camp, Baseball, Softball, Teeball, Tennis and Clinics.

The next Recreation Commission meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, March 28th at 7:30 pm.

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Barth and seconded by Lastoria to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted:
Carolyn Jatsek