

BRECKSVILLE RECREATION COMMISSION
January 25, 2016 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Council Representative Laura Redinger at 7:30 pm.

Roll Call was taken.

Members present: Beaver, Ganley, Kern, Redinger, Stucky.

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

Absent: Barth and Lastoria

2016 Recreation Commission Organizational Items

Brian Stucky was administered the Oath of Office by Laura Redinger for his new term as Citizen Member of the Recreation Commission. Nominations were made for the Officers, and Elections were held as:

Chairman - Stucky was nominated by Ganley, seconded by Beaver;
approved by Commission

Vice Chairman – Ganley was nominated by Redinger, seconded by Kern;
approved by Commission

Secretary – Kern was nominated by Redinger, seconded by Beaver;
approved by Commission

The 2016 Recreation Commission Meeting Schedule was approved, motioned by Beaver, seconded by Kern. The 2016 schedule is attached to the minutes.

Approval of Minutes for December Meeting:

There were no meetings from the December 7th meeting due to changes in the Recording Secretary.

Mayor's Report:

N/A

Council Representative Report:

Councilperson Redinger reported that City Council had a busy first meeting of the year. Council approved an expenditure to refinish the main staircase in the

Community Center leading up to the Fitness area; passed an ordinance to approve all the purchase orders for the contracted Recreation supplies; approved to establish the Snow Day Camp Program at a rate of \$45 per day.

Finance Committee Meeting had a special meeting for financing of major projects going on at Blossom on December 30th and had good discussion regarding how much debt City Council is comfortable taking out to try and build the new Field House and Pool and what are the next steps to get this project going. Council has agreed to send out a RFQ for a design firm for the Blossom Project. Councilman Harwood has agreed to take the lead initiative on the RFQ for the Blossom Project. A committee will be set up to review the RFQ and do interviews in the same sort of process as the Police Department Project was handled. The second item that came out of the meeting was approval to move ahead with a wetland delineations study of the Blossom Property by Gerry Wise. A tower will be taken down, and land will be cleared for in the area for the Field House and the goal is to have the utilities and road begun this year as laid out in the article in the Brecksville Magazine. Discussion was had by the Commission about what would be included in the Field House, (elevated track vs track around the field, elevated glass viewing areas/classrooms, soccer area.) Commission wants to make sure they keep the everyday persons need in mind when they build the field house as well as parents of the children who are playing. No definitive decisions have been made regarding what will be in the Field House.

Recreation Director Report:

Recreation Director Tom Tupa reported the following:

Stairs will be done shortly, most of the work will be done by the Service Department. Everything will be taken off, sanded, painted, and new treads installed. Snow Day Camp will be at the Community Center instead of Blossom due to snow removal at Blossom is not a priority on heavy snow days.

Kids Quarters the grant was not awarded to us, but we are still going ahead with that project in early spring with the Service Department removing the mound first then the new equipment can be installed. The total project is \$35,000

Father Daughter Dance is Saturday Jan 30th from 7-9pm and is sold out already.

Fitness room is carpeting is getting worn so they are looking at replacing it with rubber flooring in the passive lounge area and the hallway leading to the cardio room. This may be done in phases based on the pricing and will hopefully be done with Corporate Membership Funds.

There will be a meeting the beginning of February to discuss the drainage of the Fields A, B, C behind City Hall to come up with a plan to correct the problems instead of doing little corrections every year. Capital Projects include 2016 include Blossom Field House Floor Screening, in 2017 Basketball Courts and Tennis

Courts, Community Center Field House Screening was completed in 2015; 2016 Wall Covering in Community Room, 2017 replace the Carpeting, the wall covering on the partitions in the Community Rooms were replaced in 2015; a new Field Rake will be purchased this year for the grounds crew. There will also be some smaller projects done in 2016 which will include starting to replace the outdoor pool chairs, with a goal to replace them all over the next few years.

CVYO:

Director Meg English reported all the programs are doing well. Basketball is in full swing. They have an upcoming Spring meeting and are gearing up for Spring/Summer.

BSA:

Stucky asked people to pray for Tony Niccoli.

Run 4 Your Life:

Winter Workouts are currently underway with 30-40 participants per group. This first unit is all high school, and the second unit is a very diverse group of families. Spring and summer workouts will be coming up as well, and might incorporate a family workout group.

Other Business:

Ganley asked if there has been any talk of fundraising for the Kids Quarter project since they did not get the Grant Monies. He suggested buy a brick sponsor a swing, buy a brick sponsor something else. It was noted that this had been done in the past, but one concern is how much fundraising is being done recently for other projects in the City, but Tupa said he would look into it.

The next Recreation Commission meeting will take place on Monday, February 22nd at 7:30 pm.

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Stucky and seconded by Ganley to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted:
Carolyn Jatsek