

**PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MOTION SUMMARY
August 16, 2016**

ITEM 1. Roll Call

Chairwoman Lash called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Joshua Bricker, Cassie Cunningham, Nicole LaMar (exited at 8:05 p.m.), Angela McWhinney, Matt Polites, Councilmember Kyle Rohrer, Vice-Chairwoman Dianna Hibinger and Chairwoman Allyson Lash

Members Absent: Lucas Ratliff

City Staff Present: Linda Mathews, Customer Service City Liaison and Ted Miller, Parks and Natural Resource Director

YMCA Staff Present: Jeremy Byers, Associate Executive Director

Motion to Excuse: Mr. Polites moved to excuse Mr. Ratliff, seconded by Councilman Rohrer. Motion approved by an 8-0 vote.

ITEM 2. APPROVAL of the Motion Summary for the meeting held July 19, 2016 as recorded and transcribed.

Motion: Mr. Bricker moved to approve the Motion Summary for the meeting held July 19, 2016 as recorded and transcribed, seconded by Mr. Polites. Motion approved by an 8-0 vote.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kyle Campbell
2280 Oakhurst Lane
Delaware, Ohio 43015

Mr. Campbell presented to the Board his proposal to create bat houses for his Eagle Scout Project.

ITEM 4. CONSIDERATION OF DELAWARE CRICKET CLUB REQUESTS

Mr. Miller provided diagrams of the placement of the cricket field in reference to different city parks. Mr. Miller recommends possible placement at Mingo or Veterans Memorial Park. Mr. Miller discussed the need to look at the scheduling of the fields for other sports events to determine availability.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Sreedhar Aeddy

Cheshire Road
Delaware, Ohio

Mr. Aeddy discussed the cricket season which is typically from April through the beginning of October. Mr. Aeddy discussed the field size and recommends minimal field size between 60-70 yards. Mr. Aeddy informed the Board that the club can help raise funds to purchase a portable pitching pad. Mr. Miller informed Mr. Aeddy of the approximate cost for the pad.

ITEM 5. UPDATE of YMCA Recreation Services

The Advisory Board had no questions or concerns regarding the update provided by Mr. Byers.

ITEM 6. DISCUSSION OF Upcoming Programs and Events

Mr. Byers reviewed with the Board upcoming youth events, holiday sports camp, and adult sports.

Mr. Polites recommended a rock climbing camp. Ms. LaMar discussed the interest in having obstacle course type events.

Discussion was held on the City of Delaware Residents vs. Non-Residents fees for programs and camps.

ITEM 7. UPDATE of Parks Activities

The Advisory Board had no questions or concerns regarding the update provided by Mr. Miller.

ITEM 8. RECONSIDERATION of Parks and Facilities Naming and Dedication Policy

Mr. Miller discussed input received from the city attorney regarding corporate sponsorship. Mr. Miller to define this section in more details and will review with the Advisory Board at a later date.

ITEM 9. DISCUSSION and RECOMMENDATION regarding the Vacation of Riverview Park

Mr. Miller discussed that with the recent expansion of the water treatment plant, increase security needs, and the decrease in the utilization in the park that staff is recommending that the park turn into an open field area. Mr. Miller discussed the difficulty accessing the park currently. Mr. Miller to research city policy and notification needs to the public.

ITEM 10. DISCUSSION and RECOMMENDATION of HVGC Advisory Committee

Mr. Miller requested to table the discussion until further input can be received from City Council.

ITEM 11. DISCUSSION of Play Equipment for Lexington Glen Park

Mr. Miller reviewed with the Advisory Board the design concept plan for changes to the park area. No concerns voiced regarding the changes.

ITEM 12. DISCUSSION and RECOMMENDATION on Shelter Rentals

Mr. Miller discussed the need to look at revising the current policy to provide more opportunities for rentals. Mr. Miller discussed the possible implementation of a security deposit, in which the Advisory Board voiced their support for. Mr. Miller also discussed the plan to have online scheduling available for shelter rentals.

ITEM 13. DISCUSSION on Field Usage Fees

Ms. Mathews discussed current rental fees for field usage. Discussion was held to implement a rental fee for events that are charging participants admission. Ms. Mathews discussed the cost to line a field for sporting events and use of fields for tournaments.

Discussion was held on the rental policy for Non-Profit Organizations. Mr. Miller discussed other communities that rent out for a reduced fee. Mr. Bricker recommended that higher demand shelters be exempt from any free rental.

ITEM 14. STAFF COMMENTS

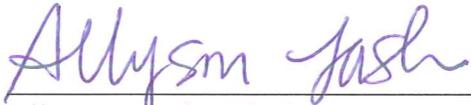
Mr. Miller provided information on the upcoming Ironman Triathlon.

Mr. Bricker questioned if a feasibility study had been completed to determine if the field availability meets the needs of the community.

ITEM 15. MEMBERS COMMENTS

ITEM 16. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Vice-Chairwoman Hibinger moved to adjourn the Parks and Recreation meeting, seconded by Mr. Bricker. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



Allyson Lash, Chairwoman



Elaine McCloskey, Clerk