

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MOTION SUMMARY
November 21, 2017

ITEM 1. Roll Call

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

Members Present: Joshua Bricker, Cassie Cunningham, Bob Dalton, Michael Rush, Gary Hayward, Corie Thompson, Angela MacWhinney, and Chairwoman Allyson Lash

Members Absent: Caitlyn Ashley, Councilmember Jim Browning and Vice-Chairwoman Dianna Hibinger

City Staff Present: Ted Miller, Parks and Natural Resource Director

YMCA Staff Present: Jeremy Byers, Associate Executive Director

Motion to Excuse: Mr. Bricker moved to excuse Ms. Ashley, Councilmember Browning, and Vice-Chairwoman Hibinger, seconded by Mr. Rush. Motion approved by an 8-0 vote.

ITEM 2. WELCOME New Member – Gary Hayward, At-Large

ITEM 3. APPROVAL of the Motion Summary for the meeting held October 17, 2017 as recorded and transcribed.

Motion: Mr. Dalton moved to approve the Motion Summary for the meeting held October 17, 2017 as recorded and transcribed, seconded by Ms. MacWhinney. Motion approved by a 7-0-1 (Hayward) vote.

ITEM 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no public comment.

ITEM 5. UPDATE of YMCA Recreation Services, Programs and Events

ITEM 6. DISCUSSION of Upcoming Volunteer Activities

A. Calls From the North Pole – December 7, 2017

Mr. Byers provided information on the Calls From the North Pole and clarified the date for volunteers that are needed.

B. Daddy-Daughter Dance – January 12, 2018

Mr. Byers informed the Board of the Venue for this event to be held at Ohio Wesleyan University. Ms. MacWhinney discussed her interest in volunteering for the event.

C. First Friday Events

A discussion was held in regards to having the Board provide information at various First Friday events throughout the year to promote city events and youth programs. Mr. Miller discussed providing a sign up of events in 2018 for Board Members to participate in.

ITEM 7. UPDATE of Parks Activities

Mr. Miller discussed the upcoming activities for the December First Friday, including the rental of ice skates at the Glice rink that will be set up at Willis.

Mr. Miller provided the Board with a copy of the 2018 Cost Schedule and discussed some of the changes and increases. Mr. Miller discussed that the YMCA works with the staff to recommend fees. Ms. Thompson voiced a concern regarding the high cost for a family to participate in events, such as the Pumpkin Run. A discussion was held if cost could be altered if participants did not want the shirt or medal of participation.

Motion: Mr. Dalton moved to recommend to Council the approval of the Cost Schedule as submitted, seconded by Mr. Rush. Motion approved by an 8-0 vote.

ITEM 8. DISCUSSION of Smoking Restrictions at Mingo Park – Abbey Trimble, Delaware General Health District

PRESENTOR:

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Ms. Trimble discussed complaints that staff received in regards to adults smoking around the various baseball fields at Mingo Park. She recommended additional signage to request no smoking in the area and referenced current signage that is placed around the play equipment at the park. A discussion was held in regards to other communities' policies on banning smoking in public parks. Ms. Trimble discussed the difficulty to enforce legislation, but that the signs can create social pressure to not smoke. Ms. Trimble did provided information on the Village of Sunbury and the City of Hilliard going smoke free at their public parks. The board recommended that staff and board members reach out to other communities to discuss how they went about creating legislation to ban smoking at public parks. They also recommended that the

request to not smoke in areas of play and sporting events be communicated at sign ups and through email to registered families. The Board plans to have further discussion of this topic before making a recommendation to Council.

ITEM 9. DISCUSSION of Tree Dedication Policy

The Board discussed the plans to have trees designated to one area. Mr. Miller plans to present the information to the Shade Tree Commission for additional input.

ITEM 9. DISCUSSION of Pickleball Quotes

Mr. Miller discussed the expected cost for additional Pickleball Courts, and informed the Board that the preferred spot for this addition would be at Smith Park. Mr. Miller plans to invite the group back at a future meeting to discuss funding needs and options.

ITEM 10. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Miller informed the Board that there will not be a meeting in December.

ITEM 11. MEMBERS COMMENTS

ITEM 12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Bricker moved to adjourn the Parks and Recreation meeting, seconded by Mr. Rush. The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.



Chairperson



Elaine McCloskey, Clerk