

**CITY OF DELAWARE
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY HALL
1 SOUTH SANDUSKY STREET
7:00 P.M.**

AGENDA

July 17, 2018

1. ROLL CALL
2. APPROVAL of Motion Summary for the meeting held June 19, 2018 as recorded and transcribed.
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. UPDATE of YMCA Recreation Services, Programs and Events
5. UPDATE of Parks Activities
6. DISCUSSION of Smoking Restrictions at City Parks – Hidden Valley Golf Course
7. DISCUSSION on Bike Parks
8. STAFF COMMENTS
9. MEMBERS COMMENTS
10. ADJOURNMENT

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MOTION SUMMARY
June 19, 2018

ITEM 1. Roll Call

Vice-Chairwoman Hibinger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Joshua Bricker, Cassie Cunningham, Bob Dalton, Gary Hayward, Michael Rush, Corie Thompson, Angela MacWhinney, Vice-Chairwoman Dianna Hibinger

Members Absent: Councilmember Jim Browning and Chairwoman Allyson Lash

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

YMCA Staff Present: Stacey Tighe, Aquatics Director

Motion to Excuse: Mr. Bricker moved to excuse Councilmember Jim Browning and Chairwoman Allyson Lash, seconded by Mr. Dalton. Motion approved by an 8-0 vote.

ITEM 2. APPROVAL of the Motion Summary for the meeting held May 15, 2018 as recorded and transcribed.

Motion: Mr. Dalton moved to approve the Motion Summary for the meeting held May 15, 2018 as recorded and transcribed, seconded by Mr. Hayward. Motion approved by an 8-0 vote.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no public comment.

ITEM 4. UPDATE of YMCA Recreation Services, Programs and Events

Ms. Tighe provided an update from the YMCA and discussed upcoming dates of closure for the Jack Florance Pool. She informed the Board of the need for volunteers at the Dave Staley Triathlon.

ITEM 5. UPDATE of Parks Activities

Mr. Miller informed the Board that there are continued discussions with a group interested in disc golf and potential location to be at the Wetland Park. He presented the idea of a bike park at the previous landfill site. He discussed the use of this type of park on a landfill site in Lebanon, Ohio. The Board requested

more information and examples of obstacle courses at other sites.

Mr. Miller also discussed that the Parks Department will be moving their operations out of the current location on Ross Street and that the Community Coalition is interested in possible uses of the building. He also discussed the potential to expand the Ross Street Park.

Mr. Miller provided information regarding a citizen donation received to update the Belle Avenue Park. He provided information on potential upgrades to park amenities and sidewalks. He plans to present the Master Plan at a future meeting.

Mr. Miller discussed the current status of alcohol sales at Hidden Valley Golf Course. He explained that currently the permit is with the state. He presented to the board potential hours. The Board was in agreement to start sales of beer at the opening of the course and potentially ending sales a half-hour prior to close. Mr. Miller discussed that staff will be trained on how to get proper identification and sell the alcohol.

ITEM 6. RECOMMENDATION of Smoking Restrictions at City Parks

A discussion was held in regards to the presented language in Item G. Mr. Miller explained that Item G is existing language. Ms. Thompson requested information on the current smoking policy at the pool. Ms. Tighe informed the Board that smoking is currently allowed outside the fencing. Ms. Thompson reported that there have been instances where she has observed smoking inside the fenced area.

Motion: Mr. Bricker motioned to recommend to Council the presented Smoking Restrictions, seconded by Ms. MacWhinney. Motion approved by an 8-0 vote.

ITEM 7. DISCUSSION on OSU Diving Team Relocation

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mandy Eby
1265 Berkley Court
Powell, Ohio

Ms. Eby discussed that in April through September the OSU Diving Team will be looking for alternative pool space due to expected renovations to their facilities. She discussed accessing the location at Mingo Pool from 7 to 9am and also 7 pm to 9 pm. They would like to have their operations to come see the current facilities and determine if updates would be needed to accommodate them and their budget for any recommended changes. She did inform that this is not an OSU Varsity sport, but is a club level sport with many participants at a national level of competition. She also discussed the age levels of participants. Mr. Miller

discussed the need to look at lifeguard availability and additional liability.

ITEM 8. STAFF COMMENTS

The Clerk informed the Board that Mayor Riggle was speaking with members from the American Kayaking Association at the NOW Festival in regards to having kayak education and programming at city parks.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Sami Spiezio
American Kayaking Association
2692 Jordan Rd
Columbus, Ohio

Mr. Spiezio discussed the role of the American Kayaking Association to provided education and safety instructions to youths and people of all ages. He explained that they have access to over 100 kayaks and can bring them in for events and training classes. Some topics that they would discuss would be how to get in and out of a kayak properly, paddle strokes, self-rescue and life jacket rental. The Board expressed their interest in having these education programs and discussed potential locations that this can occur at. Blue Limestone Park was discussed as a potential location.

ITEM 9. MEMBERS COMMENTS

Mr. Hayward requested information on any potential plans to spray for mosquitos. Mr. Miller informed the Board that the Health Department has been in contact about mosquito spraying, especially around Veteran's Park.

Mr. Rush provided compliments over the park improvements and changes that he received. He discussed the concern he received over the need for better handles at the dog bowl station at the Dog Park.

Vice-Chairwoman Hibinger discussed concerns that she has experienced at Mingo Park with dogs running loose in the park and also inside the tennis courts. She voiced concern over the safety of her tennis students and others that are uncomfortable. Ms. MacWhinney voiced concerns over safety when she is running in the park early in the morning around dogs that are not on a lead. The Board recommended that staff provide more citizen education on leash laws and also enforcement in parks. They discussed that citizens have the option to allow their dogs to run without a leash at the Dog Park.

Vice-Chairwoman Hibinger also informed staff of a sagging tennis net at Mingo Park.

ITEM 10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Vice-Chairwoman Hibinger moved to adjourn the Parks and Recreation meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Chairperson

Elaine McCloskey, Clerk



YMCA/Recreation Services

Recreation programs listed below are now coordinated through the YMCA

I. Youth Programs/Classes

- ◆ Summer Baseball/Softball seasons are nearing season's end. Regular season schedules concluded on July 6th. There were many rainouts and rescheduled games this season. Tournaments run July 9-14. Baseball (Mustang and Little League) tournaments are held exclusively at Mingo Park. Softball tournaments (10U and 12U) are held throughout Delaware County, including Mingo Park.
- ◆ Summer Session II of Tennis Lessons (Mingo Park Tennis Courts) began on July 7th. Lessons are offered on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday evenings as well as Saturday mornings.
- ◆ Summer Session II of Golf Lessons (Hidden Valley Golf Course) are currently in session.
- ◆ Fall Soccer (ages 4-9) registration opened on July 2nd. Season games begin on September 22nd and conclude on October 27th.
- ◆ Flag Football (grades 1-5) registration opened on July 2nd. Practice and games begin on September 23rd and conclude on October 28th.
- ◆ Youth Police Academy is happening July 23-27. Fire Academy was cancelled due to low enrollment.

II. Adult Programs/Classes

- ◆ Diabetes Prevention Program: Participants learn about healthy eating and increasing their physical activity, with the goal of reducing their body weight by 7% and increasing their physical activity to 150 minutes per week. Currently registering for this program..
- ◆ Delay the Disease, a program for people with Parkinson's is now up and running. Classes are offered Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1-2 pm..
- ◆ Livestrong at the YMCA is now taking participant information for fall 2018 program.

III. Adult Sports Programs

- ◆ Summer Softball (Men's and Co-Ed Leagues) regular season schedules concluded on July 8th. Post-season tournaments are scheduled for Men's leagues on July 15th and 22nd. Co-Ed tournaments are scheduled for July 15th and 22nd.
- ◆ Fall Softball registration is currently open. Deadline to register a team is August 9th. League play begins on September 6th (Men's) and September 9th (Co-Ed).

- ◆ Open volleyball (Monday evenings) and basketball (Monday and Wednesday late nights, and Saturday mornings) remains an adult recreation option for adults. During Summer, there are fewer participants than other seasons. Volleyball still draws approximately 15 players every Monday evening. Basketball is similar on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Saturday morning basketball usually attracts 15-20 players.

Special Events

A. Harmony in the Park started Sunday July 1st at Bicentennial Park. Runs every Sunday through August at 7pm. Free music in the park.

B. Dave Staley Adult and Youth Triathlon

Mingo Park, Delaware, Ohio
Sunday, August 12

The YMCA of Central Ohio and the City of Delaware Parks and Recreation Department invite you and youth 12 & under to participate in the 37th Annual Dave Staley Triathlon & Youth Triathlon. The triathlon is designed to be a fun event for all individuals regardless of their fitness and experience level. If you have questions please call Colleen McLain at 740.203.3051.

C. Doggie Dive-In

Saturday, September 8, 9:00 am - Noon
Jack Florance Pool
\$5/dog (Pre-Registered, before September 6)
\$10/dog (Day of Event)

You have spent the summer enjoying the water and relaxing in the sun, now its time to let our four legged friends in on the fun. This is a one dog per person event. Dogs must be licensed, current on all vaccinations and much have the appropriate paperwork on file with our office prior to the event. Friendly dogs only please. Space is limited.

D. Pumpkin Run and Sweet Feat Walk and Halloween Party

Saturday, October 27th
Mingo Park
Run/Walk 3:00pm
Party 4:00-7:00 pm

Come dressed in your finest ghoulish gear and join our family friendly event. Activities include a trunk or treat stations, inflatables, live music, costume contest and safety demonstrations from our local fire and police departments. Treats include grilled hotdogs, cookies, a bonfire for roasting marshmallows and a cartload of pumpkins for the picking.

C. Mingo is closed 7/16&17 for GCSL Champs & 7/29 for IronMan. We switch to only being open for weekends after 8/14.

E. Movies at Mingo are Fridays July 20 and August 10. By the playground. Movie starts at 8:30pm.

Issues/Concerns

Shelters/Reservations

Staff

Parks Monthly Report

June 2018

Parks

- Daily trash pickup in all parks-448 hours
- ROW Trash-5.5 hours
- Landscaping beds-117 hours
- General Park Maintenance-185 hours
- Holiday Displays & Special Events-2.5 hours
- Park & ROW Mowing-827.5 hours
- Downtown Watering-128 hours
- Ball Field Maintenance-350 hours
- Weed Eating-305.5 hours

Forestry

- Reviewed plans
- General Tree maintenance-242 hours

Oak Grove Cemetery

- Performed 9 Interments
- Funeral Prep-22.5 hours
- Tree Maintenance-44 hours
- Landscaping-6.5 hours
- Foundations-50 hours
- Mowing-284 hours
- Weed Eating-182.5 hours
- Special Projects-13 hours

Hidden Valley Golf Course

- Course Open For 491.75 Hours as Weather Permitted
- 1606 Paid Rounds of Golf Played
- 18 Punch Cards Sold
- 1 Membership Sold and 657 Rounds Played

Donations Made:

2-9 Hole Rounds of Golf to Buckeye Valley Golf Teams Fund Raiser