

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

WEDNESDAY Dec 5, 2012

MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM 7:30 P.M.

A G E N D A

- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. FINALIZATION OF AGENDA
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- VI. LOBBY
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 - B. SCHOOL BOARD LIAISONS REPORT
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- X. ADJOURNMENT

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING: Oct 24, 2012

The meeting was called to order at the N. Ridgeville Senior Center by Chairman Milner at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Chairman Brett Milner, Vice Chairman Cathy Ebenschweller, Kelly McCarthy, Mike Gill, and Director Kevin Fougrousse

Absent: Dennis Boose (excused)

FINALIZATION OF AGENDA:

Director Fougrousse added South Central Park walking trail to new business.

Motion by McCarthy, 2nd by Ebenschweller

Yes, 4 No, 0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by McCarthy, 2nd by Ebenschweller

Yes, 4 No, 0

LOBBY: Nada Rodgers, Friends of the Park representative, reported on upcoming fund raisers. Annual Dog Walk Nov 17th at South Central Park. The Biggest Loser weight loss competition will start the first Wed in January. More information to follow later. March workshop will roll out the rain barrels. Vice Chairman Ebenschweller inquired about the Biggest Loser contest. Nada noted last year it cost \$25.00 to participate and they met once a month for private non-mandatory weigh ins. This year it will be a similar format but cost may be raised to \$30, not determined yet. Vice Chairman Ebenschweller stated that there were two rain barrels in storage from a Girl Scout project she was involved with. The barrels were from Avon Lakes municipal Engineer. He runs an informational class and sold the barrel and full kit for only \$20.00. She would give Nada the contact information. Director Fougrousse reported the barrels are stored at Shady Drive for use next year. Member McCarthy suggested they consider having Biggest Loser participants weigh in more than once a month.

REPORTS:

COUNCIL LIAISONS REPORT: Director Fougrousse reported for Dennis Boose. Legislation for Deer bow hunting passed with restrictions and an application must be filed with the Police Department.

SCHOOL BOARD LIAISONS REPORT: In the home stretch for the Nov 6th elections. Ranger Palooza rally for Issue 43 is Sat Nov 3. Flyer was handed out. Failure to pass this levy will not only effect the schools with further cuts but also Parks and Recreation. School buildings will be closed outside of school hours which means no evening or weekend access for Rec programs.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Unencumbered Improvement Fund balance is \$175,164.00. So far this year approximately \$52,000 was brought in from new home construction with an estimated \$60,000 by EOY.

DIRECTORS REPORT: Park security camera installation is complete. There are now 11 total cameras at South Central Park and 7 at Shady Drive. The trenching and cabling were done inhouse. Warning signs will go up this week. This past weekend, violators were caught on camera and turned over to police. The cameras are well worth the money. Vice Chairman Ebenschweller inquired how the video is accessed. Director Fougrousse reported currently he has to view them at the park but is working on getting a feed to his desktop computer and police department. Member Gill inquired if cameras be installed at Frontier Park. Director Fougrousse responded he was looking into security cameras for next year adding alarms for the concession stand could not be installed without a phone line.

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DIRECTORS REPORT cont'd:

Noted there is a Master Plan steering committee meeting Nov 7th at 6:30 pm. and to plan on being there for a couple of hours.

PROGRAM SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Director Fougrousse reported for Frank Vacha. Estimate 1,100 attendee's at this years Fall Fest. Weather was good, did not rain until it was over. The Lions Club has reported that Spookville was a success. They operated this haunted walk Friday and Saturday with approximately 800 visitors Friday but due to the rain had to close early Saturday. Tots trick or treat through City Hall already has 112 participants registered with an expected 150. Our second annual Turkey Shoot Out is Nov 10 at the High School at 1 pm. One free throw winner for each age division will receive a frozen turkey. The Tree Lighting ceremony is Saturday Dec 1st. Also coming up soon is the free Health Seminar with Dr. Ruocco and the Mens Open Height Basketball League for 18 and over, registration is \$400 per team. Member McCarthy questioned how many players on a team and where will they play. Director Fougrousse noted maximum of 12 players at Graftons Christian Community School about 10 minutes away. Vice Chairman Ebenschweller stated she attended the College 101 class. Found if very informative and recommends it any parent with college bound children.

GROUPS MAINTENANCE REPORT: No report

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Director Fougrousse is pleased to announce that Parks and Recreation has been awarded \$150,000 ODNr grant for the walking trail. There were 66 applicants, with 14 of them receiving some kind of funding but Parks and Recreation scored the highest. This trail is expected to cost \$328,000.00 making us responsible for the difference. Will be meeting with the Mayor and Auditor to discuss funding options. Chairman Milner inquired if any work would be done in house. Director Fougrousse replied yes plus some figures were inflated. Loans will have to be considered plus the some monies from the Improvement Fund. Friends of the Park Nada Rogers stated they have raised \$13,000.00 for this project and will be donating it. Director Fougrousse further noted we have 2 years to complete the project. Feels this is a huge step for Parks and Recreation and it is the biggest grant received by the department.

Chairman Milner announced that the Commission Board endorses the School Levy and hopes it passes.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm