

**BRECKSVILLE RECREATION COMMISSION**  
**July 23, 2018 Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Commission Member Redinger at 7:30pm.

Roll Call was taken.

**Members present:** Barth, Beaver, Kern, Redinger, and Zenir

**Members Absent:** Ganley, and Stucky

**Also present:** Tom Tupa, Meg English, and Carolyn Jatsek

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion was made by Redinger, seconded by Kern to dispense with the reading of the May 21, 2018 minutes and to approve them as written.

**Mayor's Report:**

N/A

**Council Representative Report:**

At the last City Council Meeting, Council Approved the roofing walk way pads to be added to the Community Center Roofing Project and they should be installed in the next few weeks.

The Aquatic Center Expansion Project is getting ready for the final review, after the last review some items were submitted to be considered for this final review. A question was brought up about whether family restrooms or changing rooms were being added to the plans. A discussion was had, some of the concerns about one is a possible view obstruction that would be caused from the lifeguard office to the pool if one was added, and that in winter people should be changing before walking across the pool decks, including the existing natatorium because of tracking salt onto the pool decks and ultimately into the pools. On the opposite side, maybe the age restrictions of little kids in the opposite sex locker room need to be revisited, and possibly raised to an age higher than under four. The expansion of the parking will be going to planning review. A couple of options are being explored including a possible building structure down the road.

Councilwoman Redinger also commented that the Master Plan Project is moving along nicely with the County. There were 1400 surveys sent out and there was a 47% response, one of the highest responses in the County. Councilwomen Redinger will send out a summary email or the link to the findings on the County website this week so the Commission can review it, especially the areas that focus on Recreation.

**Recreation Director Report:**

Recreation Director Tupa noted that he was also going to update the Commission on the Aquatic Center Project. There are still some upcoming special events coming up this summer including on more Drive In Movie Night on Friday August 3<sup>rd</sup> which will be showing Peter Rabbit, the first two were well attended, and there are two more Concerts on the Square coming up, this Sunday is the Pop Tarts, and Logan Well will be on August 12<sup>th</sup>.

The City Hall Comfort station is moving along, they are working on the siding and doors, then the Mechanical can be completed and it will be ready to go next season. Last Wednesday was the opening ceremony for the new Safety Town up at the Blossom Facility. There were many compliments on the new Town and a fence and a few finishing touches will be added in the next few weeks.

Baseball is almost wrapped up for the season, there are a few girls' teams still in the playoffs. The Indians Rally Cap Tee ball program was well received again this year. Registration is currently open

for the 10-12 year old Flag Football League which will be collaborating with surrounding Communities.

This year the athletics department will be beginning a High School Boys Basketball League that will be similar to the Men's Winter League and will be 4 on 4 with no coaches and will have officials.

This will be an in-house program for boys that reside in the BBHCSD.

The Bocce Courts at Kids Quarters have been top dressed and have new signs and scoreboards.

Adult Co-ed Softball will go through this month and then start up again in the fall.

The Athletic Department has demoed a Field Aerator Machine this summer and was able to try it on all the fields. This is something that could be done a couple of times a year and they are looking to budget to purchase one in 2019. The Blossom Field House will be screened sometime in late August.

Director Tupa mentioned that the Mayor is looking forward to the results of the Commissions research regarding programming and facilities. He also spoke briefly about the letter that went out regarding the collaboration between the School District and the City to build the new Field House for the Elementary School Building coming up at Blossom.

### **BTBA:**

Baseball tryouts started last weekend and there were about 60 girls (10-12) trying out, and tryouts will continue for the next few weeks. The City of Brecksville hosted 3 tournaments last weekend, and received many compliments. A great job was done by Jack, Jim, Richie and the grounds crew who went above and beyond including ice runs since it was such a hot weekend. Richie even announced for the 10 year old boys tournament which is always a great extra for those kids. This fall the BTBA is hoping to help the Recreation Department host some girls flat pitch clinics. The Recreation Leagues are looking to change the girls pitching to flat pitch to help develop the kids for travel and High School Level pitching. Independence, Valley View, and Brooklyn all already use flat pitch in all levels of their girls' leagues.

### **CVYO:**

Girls Lacrosse is coming aboard this fall and will be hosting a girls clinic for grade 3-8 this fall.

There will be a meeting on July 31<sup>st</sup> to finalize some of the details, but they will be under the Boys Lacrosse, but have separate funds, and 2 positions on the board.

### **BSA:**

This is a quiet time for BSA right now, soccer try-outs are done, and they will be gearing up for the fall shortly.

### **Run 4 Your Life:**

The Run 4 Your Life Home Day 5K Race went well and even though numbers were down slightly, they were still able to net about \$5,000. There were lots of repeat runner and familiar faces.

### **Other Business:**

Recreation Director Tupa will get with Commission Chair Stucky to have him compile the findings of the Commissions into a presentation for the Mayor regarding programming and facilities.

During the roundtable it was brought up that there is no water at Stadium, and that is the school's responsibility and they should be contacted regarding that matter.

It was also discussed that the City Hall Field improvements and the tennis court light project are both going to be submitted for the 2019 capital budget, but the field improvements might be done in phases over a couple of years.

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Beaver and seconded by Redinger to adjourn the meeting at 8:13pm.

The next Recreation Commission meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm

Respectfully submitted:  
Carolyn Jatsek