

BRECKSVILLE RECREATION COMMISSION
January 28, 2019 Meeting Minutes

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

Roll Call was taken.

Members present: Barth, Beaver, Caruso, Kern, Redinger, and Stucky

Members Absent: Zenir

Also present: Mayor Jerry N. Hruby, Councilman Mike Harwood, Recreation Director Tom Tupa, Jim Kolesar, Meg English, Tom English, and Carolyn Jatsek

2018 Recreation Commission Organizational Items

Dominic Caruso was administered the Oath of Office by Laura Redinger for his new term as Citizen Member of the Recreation Commission.

Brian Stucky was administered the Oath of Office for his term on the Registration and Use Committee. Nominations were made for the Officers of the Recreation Commission, and Elections were held as:

Chairman - Stucky was nominated by Kern, seconded by Caruso; approved by Commission, nominations were closed by Kern, seconded by Caruso, and approved by commission

A motion was made by Redinger and seconded by Caruso to elect Stucky as Chairman of the Commission for 2019, and approved by commission.

Vice Chairman – Kern was nominated by Beaver, seconded by Caruso; approved by Commission, nominations were closed by Redinger, seconded by Beaver, and approved by commission

A motion was made by Redinger and seconded by Beaver to elect Kern as Vice-Chairman of the Commission for 2019, and approved by commission.

Approval of Minutes for December 2018 Meeting:

Motion was made by Redinger, seconded by Kern to dispense with the reading of the December 3, 2018 minutes and to approve them as written.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Hruby shared with Commission the overlay presented by TDA at a public meeting regarding the field house earlier this month. There will be two entrances to the Facility, one from the South off the Parkway that will be used by buses only and one of Oakes which will be used by everyone else, including those using the Field House outside of school hours. The City will share everything off the main parent entrance south, which included Concessions, two large meeting rooms, kitchen, office, storage room, locker rooms, and large restroom facilities. The current design includes a three lane track around four basketball courts with

seating in-between the courts. There are also rooms for storage for both the City and the school, City Offices, and a small office for the school. There is green areas to allow for the future expansion of a turf area. There are a total of 650 parking spots. There is a School Board Meeting on Wednesday February 27th, where the architect will present the price of the facility to the School Board and City Council. The preliminary number for the Field House portion of the project was 6-7 Million. Once the plans for the Field House are complete they will be presented to Commission. One issue that has come up is that people feel they should be allowed to use the Field House when the school is not in session. The intentions will be that it will be used by group sports, and the track may be open during restricted times. Opening the building for open use increased manpower and utilities.

Daily operations cost are increasing and we will need to look at new fee structures to help pay for the new amenities such as the Field House and Aquatic Expansion. The Aquatic Center should be going out to bid within the month. The latest delay was due to re-engineering that had to be done because the original Pool Pak specified for the facility has been discontinued by the manufacturer. And there was also a few hold ups by the State of Ohio and County regarding the process of the sanitary sewer tie in. There have been a few small design changes since Commission saw the plans, they include changes to the HVAC system, some square footage being added and reallocated for a family changing area, night lighting, sq ft of concession area, emergency generator and the access point between the two building, but the over design was not changed. There are 7 amenities that are listed in the bid as alternates, however all the amenity foundations will be in place when the facility is built so they can be added later if they need to be postponed based on budget. The seven amenities include the three outdoor slides, one indoor slide, the climbing wall, zipline and the size of the dump feature. The City will be asking for the Commissions input on usage and rates for the new Aquatic Facility.

Council Representative Report:

The Mayor, Council President Harwood, and Councilwoman Redinger would like the Commission to further reviewing programs, uniforms and the equipment that we offer sports participants. At this point they would like Commission to really start looking at programming of the new Aquatic Center and the Field House as well review the current list of groups that use the different fields and courts in the Community. The State of the City will be held on Wednesday February 20, 2019 with doors opening at 6pm and the presentation beginning at 7pm.

Recreation Director Report:

The Father Daughter Dance will be held on February 2nd at the Community Center, so far over 150 people are registered. This year the event will be put on by Jim

Kolesar and Carolyn Jatsek. February 18th is Presidents' Day and the Community Center will be open 10-5pm and City Office will be closed. We have recently update the Community Center Snow and Cold Day Policy. On days school is cancelled due to snow, all programs will be cancelled until noon, and reassessed for the afternoon and evening. For Cold day, Fitness Programs will be held but Aquatics programs will be cancelled.

Some of the Capital Projects scheduled for 2019 include roof repairs at Kids Quarters, and the Kids Quarters Pavilion, sidewalk repairs at the Community Center, A&B dugouts, fences and concrete work, RecTrac software upgrade, security camera expansion project, and the purchase of an aerator and special events trailer.

Full time employee Richie Brown will be leaving his position to go back to school, but will continue to do some building supervising for the City.

Athletic/Facility Coordinator Report:

Currently grades 1-9 Basketball is going on, as well as the Men's Basketball League. This year there are 8 teams in the 35 and over, and 11 in the 50+. And 4 teams in the 60+. Field E fence repair from last year will be done after the weather breaks, and the new fence toppers for field D & E will be going on this spring. The new scoreboard for the Tony Niccoli Field is all in, and will be installed this spring as well. This summer our girls softball teams will switching to a different league that uses flat pitch to help get the girls prepared for fast pitch as they progress. The new league is comprised of Brecksville, Independence, Valley View and Seven Hills. We will be offering some free pitching clinics this spring to help the girls prepare for the change.

CVYO:

CVYO Soccer, and Lacrosse are getting ready for their sessions. Basketball is in progress. CVYO has been working with the schools about getting access to Stadium. At the Lacrosse Meeting field use fees came up. Currently there is a charge only for games and not for practices passed on the teams, which is unlike other cities. Sometimes costs may get passed on for excellent services, and they would be open to that if there were some things that were needed.

BSA:

BSA is currently in their indoor season.

Run 4 Your Life:

This year's race is Sunday June 30th. Winter workouts are in session through March and spring session will begin in April.

Other Business:

During the roundtable it was noted how the Bulletin now includes some of the outside organizations programs within the City as Commission had suggested. With the new fitness schedule, it was noted that the evening fitness classes that had been recommended by Commission had been removed. Director Tupa stated that those classes had had low attendance so they were taken off the schedule at this time. One other items that was brought up was the lack of and incorrect information being communicated regarding the new pool by the front desk. It was suggested that they either be given a script on how to respond to the inquiry or be told who in the administration those questions should be directed to.

The next Recreation Commission meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, February 25th at 7:30pm

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Redinger and seconded by Caruso to adjourn the meeting at 8:53pm.

Respectfully submitted:
Carolyn Jatsek