Parks & Recreation Commission MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING: APRIL 26, 2023



The Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting was called to order by Chairman Douglas Hayes at 7:30p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Douglas Hayes, Dennis Boose, Jeff Grigsby, Keriann Roach, Jill Timoteo and Parks and Recreation Director Kevin Fougerousse

FINALIZATION OF AGENDA:

Motion by Roach, 2nd by Hayes for approval of Agenda.

5 – Yes, 0 – No

ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS:

Nomination by Jeff Grigsby to nominate Keriann Roach as Vice-Chairman and a 2nd by Hayes.

Keriann Roach accepted the nomination.

04 - Yes, 0 – No, 1 - Abstain

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approval of work session minutes that was held on Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

Motion by Grigsby, 2nd by Boose for approval of work session minutes from Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

3–Yes, 0–No, 2 – Abstain

Approval of minutes for our regularly scheduled commission meeting that was held on Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

Motion by Boose, 2nd by Roach for approval of minutes from our commission meeting that was held on Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

3-Yes, 0-No, 2-Abstain

LOBBY:

None

REPORTS:

COUNCIL LIAISONS REPORT:

Councilman Dennis Boose mentioned that council passed legislation regarding trains. This is due to the recent trail derailments that have happened in our State. A resolution at the next council meeting regarding construction noise. This will be discussed at committee on Monday. Center Ridge Road paving was slated to start today. It will go from Elyria to the new asphalt that happened during the widening. This will take a few months and is tentatively slated to be completed at the end of July. The Annual fireworks display will take place at Victory Sports Park on July 3.



COUNCIL LIAISONS REPORT CONTINUED:

The community garden is currently taking applications and registration is open till May 12. Discover the Ridge will be May 20, 28 local businesses are involved. Lorain County Beautiful Day is on Saturday, May 20 from 9:00AM-Noon. The Memorial Day Parade will take place on Memorial Day. The parade starts at 9:45a.m. The spaghetti dinner at the Senior Center is this Friday from 5:00-7:00PM.

SCHOOL BOARD LIAISONS REPORT:

Jeff Grigsby mentioned that the student body is finishing up state testing. The district is getting the word out about Issue 5. If you haven't seen the videos, I would be happy to share them.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Parks and Recreation Director Kevin Fougerousse discussed the revenues and expenses. Trust Fund revenue in March was \$30,675.15. Trust Fund unencumbered balance through March was \$254,719.78. The Park and Recreation Improvement Fund revenue in March was \$1,529.99. The Park and Recreation Improvement Fund unencumbered balance through March is \$259,124.96. Trust Fund expenses in March were \$12,876.77. Our General Fund expenses in March were \$98,990.56.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

Parks and Recreation Director Kevin Fougerousse formally welcomed Jill Timoteo. Jill fills the vacancy left by Jessica Shuleva. Her appointment became final at the Council meeting on Monday, April 17. The new playground in South Central Park will not be installed in the spring as originally anticipated. The department will need to go out to bid/request for qualifications for this particular project. At this time I cannot provide a timeline and hopefully at our May meeting I will have additional information that I can provide to the commission.

RECREATION SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Tots Yoga, Session I was held on March 23 and we had 6 enrolled. Mindful Yoga with Kip is a 90 minute yoga experience and was held on April 18 and had 7 pre-registered. Restorative Sound Bath was held on March 27 and had 14 registered. Friends and Family CPR for April had 14 enrolled. Summer Adventure Camp which starts on June 5 and runs for 10 weeks is full with 400 registered. Lorain County Beautiful Day is being held on Saturday, May 20 from 9:00AM-Noon. Our Fishing Derby sponsored by NRPRD and NRFD is on Saturday, May 6 and at the time of the report we had 87 enrolled. Our Juniors Group Golf Lessons starts on Saturday, May 6 and at this time has 02 pre-registered. Lastly Adult Group Golf Lessons also starts on Saturday, May 6 and has 2 pre-registered.

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE REPORT:

Marc Allen reported that the staff is in full swing mowing. They started work on the baseball/softball diamonds. Old Town Hall is currently shutdown due to the major electrical issues. New flag pole was installed at Old Town Hall.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:00PM