

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING: December 2, 2015

The meeting was called to order at the North Ridgeville Senior Center by Chairman Dennis Boose at 7:35p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Dennis Boose, Cathy Ebenschweller, Chris Turay, Ben Gommel and Parks and Recreation Director Kevin Fougerousse

Absent: Kelly McCarthy (excused)

FINALIZATION OF AGENDA:

Chairman Boose added under old business the Memorial Tree Program

Motion by Gommel, 2nd by Turay

Yes, 4 No, 0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Turay 2nd by Gommel for approval of minutes from October 28, 2015.

Yes, 4 No, 0

LOBBY:

None

REPORTS:

COUNCIL LIAISONS REPORT:

Council Liaison Dennis Boose spoke about Issue 32 and that it passed on November 3 to build a new fire station. The tentative location is to be on the new Jaycox extension. Chairman Boose mentioned he was re-elected but unfortunately can no longer sit on the Parks and Recreation Commission. City Council will vote to have a new council liaison

SCHOOL BOARD LIAISONS REPORT:

No report.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Through September of 2015 the Improvement Fund has brought in \$44,723.16. The beginning year balance was \$239,299.86. The Improvement Fund currently has an unencumbered balance of \$189,230.26.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

Parks and Recreation Director Kevin Fougerousse highlighted additional expense & revenue reports were made available for all associated funds having to do with the Parks and Recreation Department. Our winter brochure is set to hit the homes of residents the week of January 4. The accessible walkway project was completed by Mould Plantation. There were some alignment issues that were rectified by the contractor.

PROGRAM SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Junior Ranger Basketball Program started league play in December and will continue into February. Our enrollment numbers for 2015 were 208 and we ended up with 24 total teams this year. We had a positive increase of 108 from 2014. Our 1st & 2nd grade instructional program was full with 80 kids and saw an increase of 30 kids from 2014. Loving without a License being held by Candace Pollock was being held on December 15, at this time we have 2 registered. Our Stache Dash was Saturday, November 7 and we ended up 356 runners & walkers, with a positive

increase of 11 from 2014. The numbers are a little skewed, our 5K numbers in 2014 were 245 and our numbers in 2015 were 291. Our fun run numbers in 2014 were 100 and our numbers in 2015 were 60. After expenses we raised 6,957.00 for the parks and recreation department. Our Santa's Calling Program was being held on December 9 & 10. Our tiny tots music in motion class had 5 enrolled. Our tree lighting will be held on December 5th, starting at 5:00PM.

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE REPORT:

Parks and Recreation Director Fougrousse reported on behalf of Grounds Maintenance Supervisor Gary Teel. All parks have been winterized for the season.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chairman Boose brought up the memorial tree program. Director Fougrousse mentioned that the document is complete. The price was lowered from \$400 to \$300. We contacted Zergott and Willoway Nursery to discuss the trees that will be placed in the park system. Director Fougrousse will put together a more comprehensive memorial tree program with additional information to be given to residents (i.e. informational tri-fold).

NEW BUSINESS:

None to report

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:10PM