

# City of Streetsboro

Parks, Recreation, and Conservation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 27, 2024

This PRCAC meeting was called to order on Tuesday, August 27, 2024 at 6:15 pm.

## **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Roll Call**

Present: Dick Rynearson, Eileen Fitzimmons, Sheri Gestring, Wendy Scott-Kemp, Joe Yonish, Sandy Roberts

Absent: Keith Smith

### **Introduction of New PRCAC Committee Members:**

Mr. Yonish explained that his brother (Chris Yonish) had served on the PRCAC Committee before him. He continued by saying that he was very active in the community, serving as the youth football and youth wrestling director, and helping to coach baseball.

Ms. Roberts explained that she had lived in Streetsboro for four years and had retired from the federal government. She wanted to become active in the community because she was retired. The rest of the committee introduced themselves.

### **Approval of Park, Recreation, and Conservation Advisory Meeting Minutes: January 23, 2024**

Motioned by Wendy Scott-Kemp, seconded by Ms. Roberts.

### **Beautification Committee Updates:**

#### **A. Electrical Art Box Project Update**

Four of the five electrical boxes were complete, and the department was receiving calls about 2025.

### **Old Business:**

#### **A. Floyd North Park – Pavilion Delivery**

Mr. Mytinger said the pavilion was delivered, and they were placing the footers. He stated it should be installed by the middle of next week. Mr. Mytinger noted that the pavilion would also have porta-pots, trash receptacles, and a paved walking path.

#### **B. Spring/Summer Banner**

Banners were installed, and winter ones would be put up around November. Mr. Mytinger mentioned they were looking to get new banners by the summer of '25.

Ms. Scott-Kemp suggested that the Destination Streetsboro photos were hard to see when driving by.

Ms. Fitzsimmons asked if there would be trees planted around the splash pad and then inquired if trees could be put around the playground at Wilcox. Mr. Mytinger said he would look into it. He added that they also had a shade sail they were hoping to install.

Ms. Fitzsimmons also asked about cricket. Ms. Gestring inquired about the cricket pitch, and Mr. Mytinger sent layouts and proposals to the schools. At this time, the school was not interested, and the Parks and Recreation department was landlocked. There was not enough parking to add another amenity.

**Mitchel Edgecome Recycling:**

Mr. Mytinger added an agenda item. Mitchell prepared a proposed recycling project. He provided the committee with some materials and began his presentation. The basis of his presentation was to implement plastic recycling containers around the park with novelty recycling bins that looked like bottles. Mr. Edgecome mentioned that the city could possibly look into a grant to pay for the bins and suggested 33 receptacles.

Ms. Scott-Kemp clarified that once the bins were installed, it would be the responsibility of Parks and Rec to empty them and take the contents to a recycling center. Mitchell confirmed this. However, he said they would still need to use bags in order to collect the recycling.

Ms. Gestring asked if Kimbell would pick up the recycling like they picked up trash, and he confirmed this.

Ms. Fitzsimmons mentioned that the library couldn't get their recycling picked up, and it ended up in the trash.

Ms. Gestring loved the idea but was unsure if 33 receptacles were feasible at this time and felt it would take time to get the project started.

Mr. Rynerson asked who was responsible for recycling at the Police Department, and Mr. Mytinger said it was handled by an e-recycling company.

Mr. Mytinger suggested a designated parking lot dedicated to recycling so that people could go there, and it could be picked up from a central recycling location.

The committee then discussed some of the challenges with a general recycling center, ensuring it does not become a dump site for the public.

The committee thanked Mitchell for his time.

The committee continued to discuss the recycling process in the city.

**New Business:**

**Community Center Rentals:**

Mr. Mytinger said the department had 29 rentals since they opened.

**Baseball/Softball Tournament Recap:**

Mr. Mytinger updated the committee that there were seven tournaments, which brought in approximately \$9,000. He mentioned that they already had 4-5 planned for 2025.

**Hometown Hero Banners:**

Mr. Mytinger indicated that 16 new banners would be installed. Ms. Fitzsimmons asked if there were considerations about making them larger, and Mr. Mytinger stated they were 4-foot banners and agreed they looked small on a pole.

**Pavilion Rentals:**

Mr. Mytinger noted there were approximately 56 rentals outside of baseball and special events.

Ms. Fitzsimmons asked if they were going to run a water line down 303, and Mr. Mytinger said no, explaining that was not a want for city water for Olga and Walters residents.

Ms. Fitzsimmons inquired about the water at the dog park, and Mr. Mytinger stated it would cost approximately \$10,000.00 and it would not be potable water.

**Splash Pad Update:**

Mr. Mytinger mentioned they currently had three certified pool operators on staff. He noted that picnic tables were being installed, and shade sails would be put in; however, the actual splash pad items had not arrived yet. He said they would work on creating a rules and regulations sign.

**Moon Gate:**

The committee provided an update on the moon arch. Mr. Mytinger said the arch was in, but they needed to make some modifications to it.

**BBQ Event Update:**

Mr. Mytinger said the event went well.

Ms. Gestring said they ran out of glasses around 3:45 PM and recommended ordering more for the next event. She mentioned that some people returned tickets because the event didn't want to tap the kegs, leading to them running out of beer sooner than expected. Someone suggested a cutoff time, for example, stopping ticket sales at 4:00 PM. Ms. Gestring also noted that the iPad died during the event.

Ms. Gestring requested updates for the Senior Center, and Mr. Mytinger said they had been very busy. He mentioned a potluck that attracted over 100 seniors. He said a PSSN event would be hosted there in the next few days, and the membership had increased to around 280 members.

**Upcoming events:**

Upcoming events were listed on the agenda, and the committee briefly reviewed those dates.

Ms. Fitzsimmons pointed out that there was a large group that met at the dog park and suggested it could be a good opportunity to introduce a VIP program that the department wanted to implement.

Ms. Scott-Kemp asked about the electronic sign at City Square. Mr. Mytinger said it was on hold, as they wanted to incorporate it with the city center's look and feel.

Mr. Mytinger mentioned that the city had unofficially chosen a new logo, which would be rolled out soon.

**Adjournment**

7:43 pm

ATTEST:

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Rachel Miller  
Clerk of Parks and Recreation  
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APPROVED:

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Greg Mytinger  
Director of Parks and Recreation