

# City of Streetsboro

## Parks, Recreation, and Conservation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

This PRCAC meeting was called to order on Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 6:15 pm.

### **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **Roll Call**

Present: Eileen Fitzsimmons, Sheri Gestring, Wendy Scott-Kemp, Joe Yonish, Sandy Roberts, Dick Rynearson (reported as guest)

Absent: Keith Smith not excused.

#### **Beautification Committee Updates:**

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

Completed. The committee provided feedback on their approval of the project.

HR Fraud Video: Mr. Mytinger presented a video that was requested he show by the HR Department.

#### **Old Business:**

##### **A. Floyd North Park – Update**

Mr. Mytinger provided a breakdown of the budget and reminded the committee that it was a state grant the department received. They hoped to have the project finalized and expected to have the park open in the fall. He concluded that in the end, the city received a park for approximately \$120,000.00.

##### **B. Children’s Memorial Update and Ribbon Cutting**

Mr. Mytinger described the location and surroundings of the Children’s Memorial inside City Park. He also described the interest surrounding it. The committee then discussed the locks and different variations.

##### **C. Final Field Rental Report**

Mr. Mytinger broke down the numbers of baseball field rentals, including staffing. He said they brought in \$11,940.00 in rental income, and spent approximately \$5,558.00 on staffing, retaining approximately \$6,381.00. He said the money was used for park programming. Ms. Gestring asked how the fees were structured, and Mr. Mytinger said it was based on the number of fields and length of time.

Ms. Fitzsimmons asked about the library windows, and Mr. Mytinger said they were earmarked for this year but were moved to the next. Mr. Mytinger was hoping to get the maintenance garage contractor to possibly give him an estimate for the windows.

Ms. Fitzsimmons then asked about the parking lot, and Mr. Mytinger said it was definitely on their list to do, but the funds were not available. Ms. Fitzsimmons specified it was more about the lack of lighting at night.

Ms. Fitzsimmons asked for an update on the recycling bins because the speaker from the last meeting emailed her. Mr. Mytinger said he liked the idea and would love to implement elements of his plan, but it was not feasible to complete the entire project that he had hoped for.

Ms. Fitzsimmons asked them about how much the benches were, and Mr. Mytinger said it was approximately \$1,600.00.

**New Business:**

**A. Community Center Rentals:**

Mr. Mytinger said there were 13 rentals remaining in 2024 and 10 on the books for 2025. Ms. Scott-Kemp asked if the rentals were going well, and Ms. Miller said yes; however, there was quite a bit of chasing renters down to get their payments made on time.

Ms. Fitzsimmons asked if they were cleaning up properly, and Ms. Miller said yes.

Ms. Gestring asked if people were being upfront about alcohol and if renters were following the rules. Ms. Miller said for the most part there were a few instances, but nothing terrible.

**B. OPRA Awards of Excellence:**

Mr. Mytinger explained the department would be trying to get another award for a facility project. He said it was an opportunity to remind individuals at the state level they were doing things.

**C. Splash Pad Update:**

Mr. Mytinger said it was moving along, but there were several holdups. He said the theme was a space-themed splash pad.

**D. Capital Improvement Projects for 2025:**

Mr. Mytinger said they needed a new mower and possibly a truck, as well as skate park items.

Ms. Fitzsimmons said it got a lot of use and would be good to update.

**E. Upcoming Events:**

Senior Medicare and Medicaid Fraud Luncheon

Sams and Financial Fraud

Trunk or Treat

Trick or Treat

Senior Halloween Party

Holiday Lighting

Santa Gift Drop Off

Mr. Rynerson then informed the committee about fraud issues he had received recently.

Mr. Mytinger updated about Trunk or Treat, and Ms. Gestring asked how the proximity was from Walmart with candy, and Mr. Mytinger said it worked out pretty well.

Ms. Roberts wanted to add an agenda item and said there were individuals asking about more programs for adults – specifically fitness. Mr. Mytinger said there was a yoga class, a meditation class, and some “child and me” fitness classes.

Mr. Rynerson suggested self-defense.

They then discussed how other recreation centers were having a hard time finding instructors and the committee then mentioned the flooring in the community center was not very conducive to many fitness classes.

Ms. Roberts updated that the ducks were rescued by Happy Trails in Ravenna.

Mr. Mytinger said there would be an October meeting, but not a December meeting. However, they planned to have a November meeting.

**Adjournment**

7:23 pm

ATTEST:

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Rachel Miller  
Clerk of Parks and Recreation

APPROVED:

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Greg Mytinger  
Director of Parks and Recreation