

City of Streetsboro

Parks, Recreation and Conservation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 27, 2020

This PRCAC meeting was called to order on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 6:15pm.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Chris Yonish, Sheri Gestring, Eileen Fitzsimmons, Joshua Lampa, Keith Smith, Amanda Hall, Dick Rynearson

Absent: None.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

None at this time.

Beautification Committee Update:

Mr. Lampa said there was nothing at this time.

Old Business:

A. City Park Basketball Courts Update

Mr. Mytinger said he received the site plan for the basketball courts from GPD and was awaiting approval for it to go out to bid. He anticipated the department would be on track for a late March early April installation.

B. Student PRCAC liaison

Mr. Mytinger advised the committee to reference the job description in their packets. If the committee agreed with the description the department would begin to promote it.

C. Sand Volleyball Courts

Mr. Mytinger said everything had been ordered and the area between the restroom and library had been laid out as the location.

New Business:

A. Community Stage Discussion

Mr. Mytinger explained there had been a lot of discussion about a community stage - considering the current one needed to be removed for construction of the basketball courts. Mr. Mytinger suggested the City rent a stage for the next few years, or purchase a portable stage, or possibly construct a small amphitheater. He explained there were several options that were being discussed. Mr. Mytinger then discussed some possible locations. Mr. Mytinger then added a stage rental was in the 2021 budget. He then mentioned a group of individuals (derived from the City, PRCAC and Family Days) was going to visit Broadview Heights to get an understanding of their stage. Mr. Mytinger said a large hurdle was the community did not know what they wanted to build, or a location to build it – which would hinder the ability to ask an organization to donate or construct something at this point in time.

B. 5 Year Park Plan

Mr. Mytinger said he would like to work over the next month on a wish list of what the department wanted to accomplish each year over the next 5 years.

C. Senior Center New Employee

Mr. Mytinger gave a brief introduction of Lynda Styles, the new senior center coordinator.

D. Program updates

Mr. Mytinger highlighted a few programs and said the department successfully completed a drive-thru Trunk or Treat and received a lot of positive feedback. Mr. Mytinger went on to add the department had over 60 teams for the community scavenger hunt.

Mr. Lampa said he really enjoyed the hunt.

E. Program volunteers needed 12/19/2021

Mr. Mytinger asked for volunteers for Santa on the Fire Truck program. Mr. Mytinger said a lot of the COVID – 19 measures had already been in place with the program.

Mr. Lampa passed on a message that Mr. Brian Wolf was interested in being a volunteer Santa for any upcoming programs requiring a Santa.

Ms. Hall suggested a drive-thru wave to Santa event and the department could provide prepackage cookies. The committee liked the idea and discussed additional ideas. The committee then discussed possible locations aside from City Park. Mr. Mytinger then suggested a Santa’s workshop concept.

Ms. Fitzsimmons asked for a Story Walk update and Mr. Mytinger said everything was ordered and the department was just waiting on everything to come in.

Directors Report:

Mr. Mytinger said the report was attached and highlighted everything on the agenda.

Mr. Mytinger added that Portage County Park District finished the paved loop around Trail Lake Park and then discussed possible opportunities for the City of Streetsboro to team up with the County to help finish the park.

Announcements:

Ms. Gestring commented that she really enjoyed the drive-thru Trunk or Treat but felt 2 hours would have been sufficient and felt everything went really smooth.

Ms. Fitzsimmons added that the Friends of Streetsboro Parks finished fall pet portraits and filled every time slot. She explained they were going to do Santa pet portraits next. Ms. Gestring felt they were receiving great feedback.

They then discussed a few other fundraising events..

Mr. Lampa mentioned there were poles busted out at Thomas Heritage Parks and it appeared the life preservers had been thrown into the fishing pond again.

Next meeting was Tuesday, November 24, 2020 at 6:15pm.

Adjournment

7:11pm

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Rachel Miller
Clerk of Parks and Recreation

Greg Mytinger
Director of Parks and Recreation

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