

P & R Commission Meeting Agenda

March 27, 2023

6:00 P.M. Hosted in City Hall

I. Call to Order @ 6:05 pm

II. Roll -

Present - Bruce Anticoh, Tina Righetti, Doug Sheppard, Annie Zagunis, Janinne Rossman, Margie Leskowsky, Jim Perry, Brad Cruets arrived at 6:20 pm

Absent - Rich Lindow

Also present - Director Rob Fulton, Deputy Director Kyle Kar, Facility Manager Evan Taylor, Councilman Matt Valerius, and Councilman Dan Loyd

Special Guests - Eagle Scout project Robert Nitz - presentation

III. Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting on January 23, 2023 Motion - Sheppard Support- Leskowsky

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion - Rossman Support - Perry

V. Public Comment- Eagle Scout project presentation Robert Nitz

The Champaign Park project proposed by Robert Nitz of Troop 1061 explained his project. It will be a community project with compasses and directions on the entire course. It's a sport that will benefit all of the community. Tennis courts will be moved by the schools and this will be placed on the West side of the courts with the starting date being late June early July. The course will not be too hard and will avoid the Start Memorial project. This will involve using navigation skills by using a compass to follow the route. Rob added that the disc are small in nature and hope is to not have too much with them.

Dan Loyd, representing the Legal Affairs Commission, asked the Commission to review the Ordinance that he passed out. They are wanting to make all the Ordinance between commissions uniformed within the City. He will be back at our meeting on the 24th prior to their next meeting on the 26th of April. Should we have any questions during our review we can outreach to him at his City email address.

VI. New Business:

a. Sports & Program Updates - 20 employees training in CPR and AED training. Will have another class in the fall.

Senior trips are booming and required wait lists for many events. Evan has been empowered with more programs for youth STEM programs as well.

The Detroit Pistons program has been good, jersey, ticket, basketball and looking at leaving the Junior Pistons program. We will look to continue the program under Parks and Rec and still supply Jerseys and Basketballs through Park Athletic. We spent \$8,000 to participate in the program with the Detroit Pistons. Some of the program obligations by the Pistons were no shows this year. Cost to participate with the Detroit Junior Pistons was \$60 per child with a max \$110 if more than one child and we paid the Pistons \$35 per child.

There has been no repercussions from the suspended Basketball Coach.

Kyle - The broken sign at Gingerbread park had around \$200 damage with over 43k views on FB. Equipment has been removed and new equipment has arrived. To be installed and completed by July 23rd.

Hockey APHA Draft skates have concluded. We have 6U, 8U and 10U teams. Spirit wear is in process. Costs were lowered for Spring. Returned money to the association and they are on track. Association asked for an article to be placed in the next Allen Park Today (the June addition).

Parks and Recreation recently had 5 pages in the Allen Park Today

5 Hockey tournaments have taken place within the arena for the past two months.

February had 23 room rentals on the weekend with 16 room rentals in March.

Tournaments for next year February and March and putting in Regionals for next year. Many events are coming back into the rink for next year. Still waiting on another possible High School team for next year.

Men's softball - Issues with this coming up 18 teams then 16 this past year and many not have any leagues this coming year. Half of the teams have left due to fairness and teams that we have in the league. Part of USA registration labeling their classification. Therefore there may be no softball leagues this year. Wanting tournament rules for a recreation league. Look into filling it with other things such as church leagues. Wednesday looking at a Women's league.

b. Facility updates - March 1-4 bleachers were 75% removed, the northside completely torn out with one left on the southside until hockey is over. New lights have been replaced where the bleachers were removed. Old bleachers are property of the company that is doing the removal. Rink will be painted as well. Green, White then the beige and the green at the bottom will be one row being added to the green paint.

C. Warming Center/Weather crisis - Hosted half of Regionals due to the weather crisis in Trenton without power to keep the tournament on track. We are in the Wayne County Warming and Cooling center. We are not a 24/7 operation. Bennie opened up during the outage and went with using the school as a benefit we had no staffing to overlook the times. Were open for charging

VII. **Last Minute** - nothing

VIII. **Unfinished Business**

a. Grants-Wayne County - full steam ahead with AED throughout the city. Kennedy on list for grants for the walking track. Will apply for a SMART bus with a GRANT.

b. Pretty Family Park fencing - completed joint effort will be putting up foul poles at the park as well. Filed topped off with a safe slide conditioner for a smoother slide.

c. Last Minute - Resident wanting to continue the Detroit Pistons Jr league and as a private renter she can not do this. I Want to go to go the entire summer.

Champaign parking lot is over \$1,080,000 on which is a rough cost for drainage asphalt, w/o knowing what else might be uncovered cost could be more.

Questions to us what is our intention for this park - shouldn't this be a City issue. We are talking about the parking lot. Parks and Rec to form a committee to review with the City Engineers. We were leaning on a City mileage to review with the committee. We now have a starting point to begin the process.

Committee to be formed - who will be on the committee from the commission - TBD

IX. **Communications**

a. Staff Reports none

Commission Comments - Commissioner Perry asked to be excused at the next meeting he will be out of town.

Commissioner Zagunis shared a pickleball fee schedule with Rob prior to the meeting. Our fee is \$3.00 and suggested that the fee should be raised possibly in the fall to \$5. Commissioner Zagunis will send out to commission members that information for review and then we can re-visit at our next meeting.

Commission Zagunis asked to look into more Group fitness instructors for the morning and in the evening. Looking for someone to teach the classes.

Handicap button at the fitness center to be replaced into the fitness center installing at that door. The cost to be \$4,500 for the installation of a new button. There was not one there and based on the review by the City Building Department Director Matt Baker we are in compliance with the Front Door having a Handicap button to access the building.

XI. Motion to Adjourn - Motion Sheppard Support Leskowsky

Submitted by - Tina Gaworecki-Righetti Secretary

Next Meeting April 24, 2023 6 p.m.