



Reynoldsburg Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

Thursday September 19, 2019

5:30pm

- I. Roll Call
 - a. Meeting was called to order by Steve Donahue at 5:31pm
 - b. Roll was taken by Michelle Brennan. All were present.
- II. Minutes
 - a. Minutes were approved
 - i. Motion made by Chet
 - ii. 2nd: Ryan
- III. Public Comment
 - a. No public present
- IV. New Business
 1. Programs & Events
 - a. Heroes and Hooks
 - i. Participants were able to fish with members of the Metro Parks, Police, and Fire Departments
 - ii. Had a small \$3.00 fee
 - iii. Filled up quickly
 - b. Fall Athletics
 - i. Soccer, Flag Football, and Adult Kickball all going well
 - c. Food Truck Fest
 - i. Had Cousins Maine Lobster attend
 - ii. Went very well
 - d. Pioneer Day
 - i. Went well
 - ii. Little over 200 people attended
 - e. Movie nights
 - i. Re-evaluate for 2020
 - ii. Varying attendance numbers
 1. 50 plus at some, 15 or less at others
 2. Public voted on the movies

3. Maybe cut back for next year
- f. Concerts on the Lawn
 - i. Went very well
 - ii. Sunday Afternoon time worked well
2. Tomato Festival Recap
 - a. Was fantastic
 - b. No major issues
 - c. Bloody Mary Bar was a hit
 - d. All vendors were happy
 - e. Chili Cook off was a nice addition
 - f. Will look at making a few modifications for 2020
 - i. Change the shuttle pick up locations
 - ii. Modify the entrances
3. Budget
 - a. Process has started
 - b. Currently looking into for 2020
 - i. Sound System – Senior Center
 - ii. Tree Work
 - iii. Pine Quarry Trails
 - iv. Updating signage
 - v. Baseball mounds/ Laser Grade
 - vi. Fans/lights - Senior Center Main Room
4. Brochure
 - a. Next Brochure will be January to June 2020
 - b. Please let us know if there is anything that you would like to see added
5. Staffing
 - a. Recreation Coordinator
 - i. This is a brand new position
 - ii. Scottie Ruessman will be starting October 14
 1. Best candidate for the position
 - b. Senior Center
 - i. Eileen has moved to a full time position with the Water Department
 - ii. Della has moved to Eileen's old position
 - iii. Site Supervisors are currently covering the evening hours
6. Senior Center Bus
 - a. Ordered September 18
 - b. Should arrive by May of 2020
7. JFK Park Improvements
 - a. EMHT has come in and discussed possible modifications
 - b. New bathroom/concession stand combo

- c. Updated playground
 - d. Updated path and walkways
 - e. Flood plain modifications as the park does flood
 - f. Commission voted to show support for a 1 year construction versus a 2 year constructions
 - i. Ryan made the motion
 - ii. Teresa offered a 2nd
 - iii. All voted in support of the 1 year construction
 - g. Will bring drawings to the next meeting
 - h. Hopefully start the demo process by October
8. Military Banners
- a. First group will fly for Veterans Day
 - b. Similar to Westerville Program
 - c. Any Reynoldsburg Resident can purchase
 - d. Honoree does not need to be living
9. Projects
10. Skate Park
- a. The underneath of the structure is sound
 - b. Top layer in in need of some repair
 - c. Looking into pricing for repairs
11. Ohio Parks and Recreation Awards
- a. Applying for 3 awards this year
 - i. Native Plantings
 - ii. Tomato Festival
 - iii. Heroes and Hooks
12. Civic Park
- a. Looking to add cameras at the park
 - i. Recent vandalism has occurred
13. 6th Annual Heroes for Heroes 5K
- a. Went well
 - b. 143 participants
14. Thanksgiving meal offering
- a. Collision church will be utilizing the Senior Center on Thanksgiving day to offer a Thanksgiving meal to anyone who would like to come
 - i. Staff will cover the building from 7:00am – 5:00pm
15. Senior Center Report (Chet McMullen)
- a. Improvements have been made in the 3 side rooms of the Senior Center. New carpet squares, new ceiling fans and paint make the rooms look clean and fresh
 - b. The assistant's office also have been painted and carpets and the layout has been reconfigured to include new cabinets and working space

- c. September is National Senior center month
 - d. September 16 was the luncheon and Cancer Thrift Show
 - e. Decorating the men's restroom is completed
 - f. SCOR will request that a new sound system be added to the P&R 2020 Budget
 - g. Members of the month
 - i. August: Chet McMullen
 - ii. September: Fred and Carol Evans
 - iii. October: Barbara Fritz
 - h. Bus has been ordered
16. Reynoldsburg City School Report (Susan McLaughlin)
- a. 9X has opened
 - b. Currently have lots of kids at the Livingston Campus
 - i. Enrollment is up over the entire district
 - ii. Have added more staff
 - c. Offering more college credit classes
 - d. Offering more AP classes
 - e. Have added new programs
 - i. Realigned some other programs
 - f. Career pathways are going well
 - g. Received a grant for the Urban Garden

V. Other/Old Business

- 1. New Rodebaugh Rd Park---Let's think of a new name!
- 2. Next Meeting
 - a. November 14, 2019 at 5:30pm

VI. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 6:55pm
 - i. Motion to adjourn: Ryan
 - ii. 2nd: Chet