

City of Bowling Green, Ohio

Parks & Recreation Board

January 25, 2022 ~ Simpson Meeting Room ~ 7:00PM

Meeting Minutes

Welcome and Call to Order

Chair Jodi Anderson (7:00 PM)

Attendance

Cheryl Witt

- *Present: Jodi Anderson, Cal Bowers, Bryan Hartzler & Emily Keegan*
- *Absent: Linda Cubberley, Tyler Dunn, Cale Hover, Monique Rosati & Phil Simmons*

Approval of November 2021

Chair Jodi Anderson

- *Tabled, no quorum*

Correspondence

Kristin Otley

- *WCPD Grant Notification*

Chairpersons Report

Chair Jodi Anderson

Old Business

- *No old business at this time.*

New Business

- *Tabled approval of 4th Quarter Fee Waiver Reports*
- *Fee Adjustments- will need to take action in February. Will be bringing youth programs slight adjustment and facilities in the fall.*
 - *Ivan Kovacevic reviewed the pool report for 2021.*
 - *Kristin Otley answered a question about rates being increased and thought that the last time resident daily rate was increased may have been in 2016.*
 - *Kristin Otley will provide the following in the February packet:*
 - *Snapshot of a typical pool day from last season*
 - *Camps & Programs information*
 - *Amount of increase in seasonal wages*
 - *Proposals for possible fee increases*

BGPR Foundation Board Report

Chair Jodi Anderson

- *November 5, Party for the Parks made just over \$21,000.*

BGPR Directors Report

Kristin Otley

- *Master Plan to the Planning Commission on Wednesday 2.2.2022.*
- *Project Updates: None at this time.*
- *COVID 19 Update: continue to offer what services we safely can.*
- *2022 Budget: in packet, slight deficit but have started to put funds in a designated Capital Fund for the TACC.*
- *Chris Gajewicz shared the new QR code signs that will be put out in the parks. People can scan the code and donate right on the spot. Thirty signs will be installed once the ground thaws.*
- *Thank you to our Maintenance Staff and all they do to keep the parks & facilities clean and safe.*
- *NRPA Park Pulse mentioned first time job opportunities in parks.*
- *Department is currently hiring a full time Maintenance Specialist*
- *Seasonal positions are being advertised already: pool, camps and maintenance.*

Coordinators Reports

Chris Gajewicz: Path to Sustainable Landscaping program is being planned and will be coming up soon. Many different people are involved in this exciting and interesting program. This will be offered on five different nights. For more information please contact Chris.

Plans are in place to lease a new tractor for the Simpson Garden Park staff to use. Work is underway to produce new maps for Simpson and Wintergarden.

Ivan Kovacevic: Recapped the following programs: Winter Spark, Winter Break Camps and Happy Noon Year. Fall Youth basketball went well. The winter league has just started with COVID modifications. Daddy Daughter Dance will be coming up and there will also be a Mother Son Dance. We were awarded a grant for a shade structure at the Eli Joyce field. The structure is for along the 3rd base line. The grant is through the BG Community Foundation, and is in the amount of \$2,500.

Family First Friday Fun Nights will be held at the Community Center.


Lobby Visitation:

- *Mayor Aspacher introduced Nick Rubando who is the new council member for Ward 1. Nick is the chair of the Parks & Recreation Committee of Council.*
- *Councilman Herald commented that there have been lots of laughing, happy kids enjoying sledding at Conneaut Hill.*

Adjourn

- *Meeting adjourned at 8:00PM by Jodi Anderson.*

Respectfully Submitted by Cheryl Witt on February 17, 2022.



Jodi Anderson, Chair

Next Meeting: February 22, 2022 @ 7:00PM

Simpson Meeting Room