

**CITY OF GAHANNA  
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD  
MINUTES – May 2, 2012**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair Luke Messinger called the meeting of the Parks & Recreation Board to order on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 at 7:04 pm at the Gahanna Senior Center.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Cynthia Franzmann  
Luke Messinger  
Eric Miller  
Laurel Naegele  
Vincent Tremante

**Absent:** Jan Ross  
Jill Schuler

In attendance from the City was Tony Collins, Director Department of Parks & Recreation.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Tremante made a **MOTION** to approve the April 4, 2012 meeting minutes; seconded by Naegele. **On roll call vote:** Franzmann, Yes, Messinger, Yes, Miller, Abstain, Naegele, Yes, Tremante, Yes. **Motion carried 4-0, 1 – abstain.**

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Fee Waiver

**HEARING OF VISITORS**

Visitor – resident Sarah Kafer 200 Lintner Street Gahanna.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**2012 Year to Date update – Senior Center**

Collins distributed the Senior Center update, Danise Hall; Senior Center Supervisor is unable to attend the meeting. The 2011 total expenses were \$4,923. There were 5668 total volunteer hours.

The 2012 year to date information:

Members – 525

New members – 96

Residents – 352

Non-residents – 173

YTD volunteer hours – 2,701

Hall is partnering with the Recreation Staff to promote mixed use of the Senior Center and increase exposure of the center and the opportunities for seniors.

**Parkland Dedication**

Collins distributed the Parkland needs and technical assessment for ZC 5-2012 for 5195 and 5201 Morse Road. The developer would like to donate fees in-lieu-of land dedication. Staff

agree that there is adequate open space and agree to the fees in-lieu-of land dedication.

Miller made a **MOTION** to recommend the acceptance of the fee-in-lieu of park land dedication for ZC 5-2012 for 5195 & 5201 Morse Road; seconded by Tremante. **On roll call vote:** Naegele, Yes, Tremante, Yes, Franzmann, Yes, Messinger, Yes, and Miller, Yes. **Motion carried 5-0.**

### **Master Plan**

Collins distributed the information regarding updating the Parks & Recreation Master Plan. The Mayor and staff created a community investment program for capital money. The Community investment program includes \$50,000 for a conceptual plan to update the master plan. Collins believed the cost would be would be \$35,000 to update the 2006 master plan and \$15,000 for a concept plan for the southwest floodplain area. Leon Unger from Pros Consulting prepared a proposal of Scope of Services, for updating Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

Collins introduced the concept of updating the Master Plan to Council. The scope of services proposal from Pros Consulting is going to cost \$35,000 and the preliminary cost of the survey component is \$28,000. Collins will follow up with Pros Consulting and the survey company. Comments due to Collins by May 11, 2012.

### **Fee Waiver**

Collins explained that Ohio Combat Veterans, a non-profit, is requesting a fee waiver of \$100 for the cost of their "Walk with a Hero" 5K run. Collins explained that almost every weekend there is a 5K in Gahanna.

Staff and the Police Dept. worked together to create a certified route costing \$500 and a recreational route costing \$100. The Creekside Recreational route includes a pre-planned recreational 5K race route, traffic cones and trash receptacles and route utilizes no streets and no police are needed. The Certified route includes a pre-planned certified 5K race route, three (3) Special Duty City of Gahanna Police Officers, traffic cones, trash receptacles and utilizes partial streets.

After some discussion the Board would like staff to create a non-profit rate in line with the fee policy schedule.

Tremante made a **MOTION** to accept the fee waiver of \$100 for the Ohio Combat Veterans 5K Race; seconded by Miller. **On roll call vote:** Tremante, Yes, Franzmann, Yes, Messinger, Yes, Miller, Yes, and Naegele, Yes. **Motion carried 5 – 0.**

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nothing at this time

### **DIRECTORS REPORT**

Collins stated to date revenue has increased \$35,161 for the pools, \$33,000 for the Golf Course and \$11,800 for Camp Friendship. The Parks/Facilities Division started zone based management of the parks and facilities and is preparing the pools for opening, painting old park entryway signs, and continues removing ash trees, and grinding stumps.

Clerk of Council Isobel Sherwood is recommending to Council that all boards would change to pay per meeting instead of pay per month.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Aquatics Advisory Committee**

Nothing at this time

### **Bicycle & Trail Advisory Committee**

Naegele stated that MORPC has organized two bicycle and walking counts in Gahanna on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Lincoln Elementary School will have a Bike/walk to school day on May 16<sup>th</sup>. The national Bike to School Day is on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Blacklick Elementary School will have a Bike Rodeo on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. On the second Saturday of each month there will be family rides starting at Creekside.

### **Natural Resources Advisory Committee**

Nothing at this time

### **Gahanna Parks & Recreation Foundation**

Messinger stated the Foundation has committees working on the Freedom Festival and the Friday after Five. Volunteers are needed for the Friday after Five Committee.

### **School Board Report**

Nothing at this time

## **MEMBERS COMMENTS**

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Parks & Recreation Board at this time, Tremante made a **MOTION** to adjourn.

The Parks & Recreation Board meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Pam Ripley, Administrative Assistant

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012

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Luke Messinger, Vice Chair