

**CITY OF GAHANNA
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
MINUTES – May 5, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Laurel Naegele called the meeting of the Parks & Recreation Board to order on Wednesday, May 5, 2010 at 7:02 pm at Gahanna City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Present: Cynthia Franzmann
Luke Messinger
Eric Miller
Laurel Naegele
Jan Ross
Jill Schuler – arrived 7:05pm
Vincent Tremante

In attendance from the City were Tony Collins, Director, and Troy Euton, Deputy Director, Department of Parks & Recreation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Ross made a **MOTION** to approve the April 7, 2010 meeting minutes; seconded by Messinger. **On roll call vote:** Messinger, Yes, Miller, Yes, Naegele, Yes, Ross, Yes, Tremante, Yes, and Franzmann, Yes. **The motion carried 6-0**

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

HEARING OF VISITORS

None

OLD BUSINESS

Service to the Community

Collins stated that staff is recommending moving the Service to the Community Awards to August 28, 2010. Based on conversations with the Gahanna Parks & Recreation Foundation (GPRF) we would like to have this year as an inaugural melding of a GPRF celebration event and the Parks Board awards into one event. The thought is to have a family event at Gahanna Swimming Pool. The Foundation has a committee working on the details of the event. The Parks Board is in agreement of having a joint event with GPRF.

Nominations for Service to the Community Awards are due by May 31, 2010.

NEW BUSINESS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Collins shared that the Department received a Resolution from State Representative Nancy Garland for receiving 11 OPRA Awards.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Collins shared the department's highlights from April 2010; revenue from camp, recreation programs, OHEC, golf and pool memberships have all increased from this time last year. Volunteers have donated over 2,340 hours to the department since the beginning of the year for an estimated cost savings of over \$33,500. The Facilities Division continues to prepare the pools for the season. The Arbor Day Celebration was successful at Jefferson Elementary School. The garage at Creekside is now free except for special events.

May 8th, 9am – 4pm is May Herb Day and Spring Fling at Creekside Park & Plaza, the Gahanna Historical Society will be selling their bean soup and herbs at the Historical Society Settlement at the same time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Aquatics Advisory Committee

Nothing at this time

BAC

Naegele stated that the Planning Commission approved the Bikeway Master Plan. Safe Routes to Schools awarded the City grant money for some infrastructure programs and Gahanna Public Schools grant money to move forward on the Safe Routes to Schools project.

Members of the group will be conducting bike clinics at Camp Friendship. May is bike to work month.

DPAC

Cynthia stated the committee met on April 22nd and the next meeting is scheduled for September. The Board will review each committee and set the dates for their meetings at the January organizational meeting. The committee wants the pipe safe at the dog area to be signed that all funds will go to the GPRF for the dog park.

NRAC

The committee walked the Villages at Hannah Farms development with Manor Homes looking at the conservation easement issues.

MEMBERS COMMENTS

Parks & Recreation Foundation

Collins shared that the Foundation adopted a tentative budget and committed to sponsor scholarships, an arts project, environmental project and youth sports scholarships. The Foundation committed \$1,500 to sponsor the bridge art mural project.

Veterans Memorial Committee

Brick dedication and memorial service, May 31st at 1pm at Veteran's Memorial Park. This year's theme is the 100th Anniversary of the First Military Flight and the 10th Anniversary of the Gahanna Veterans Memorial.

School Board Report

Schuler shared that the levy did not pass. The School Board and administration will be meeting to discuss the next steps. The total voter turnout was approximately 10,000.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The Parks & Recreation Board meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.

Respectfully submitted _____
Pam Crossmock, Administrative Assistant

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2010

Laurel Naegele, Chair