

## **Bowling Green Parks & Recreation Park Board Meeting Minutes**

**February 26, 2019**

### **Call to order**

Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm by Jeff Crawford.

### **Roll Call**

**Present:** Jodi Anderson, Jeff Crawford, Linda Cubberley, Cale Hover, Karen Rippey and Robin Veitch

**Absent:** Jon Laabs, JD Pooley and Monique Rosati

**Others Present:** Kristin Otley, Chris Gajewicz, Ivan Kovacevic and Cheryl Witt

### **Minutes**

Minutes of the January meeting were unanimously approved on a motion by Cale Hover and a second by Karen Rippey.

### **Correspondence**

No correspondence to share at this time.

### **Chairperson's Report: Jeff Crawford**

Park Board Retreat will be held on March 14, 2019 at the Rotary Nature Center from 4-6 pm.

### **Old Business**

No old business at this time.

### **New Business**

- **Fee Changes (Pool & Holiday Rental): Pool Price Increase:** The Board was emailed a packet of additional pool information based on the questions that they had about raising the rates. After a detailed round table discussion, a motion was made by Jodi Anderson and seconded by Cale Hover to approve the increases as recommended by the department. The motion was unanimously approved and the pool price increases for 2019 will be a 3% increase on all season passes and a 6% increase on non-resident daily passes. All prices will be rounded up to the nearest quarter. Concessions prices will not be raised. All 2018 season pass holders who renew by May 13, 2019 will be able to do so at the 2018 season pass price. The department

will come up with effective a marketing plan for the Waiver of Need option for pool passes and communicate that with school administration. **Holiday Rental Rates:** Kristin Otley reported that the department does not allow rentals on Christmas Day, New Years Day, Easter or Thanksgiving. The new premium holiday rates will be for all other City of Bowling Green observed holidays. A motion by Robin Veitch and a second by Cale Hover to charge a premium use fee for all other City of Bowling Green observed holidays in the amounts of \$50 for a 4 hour rental and \$100 for an 8 hour or all day rentals was unanimously approved.

### **Parks & Recreation Foundation Report, Jodi Anderson**

Wine & Cheese date is September 27, 2019. The membership drive for 2019 is underway, please commit to joining the foundation when you get your letter. Plans are underway for the annual membership breakfast.

### **Director's Report: Kristin Otley**

- Thank you for taking action on the pool prices and holiday rental fees. These will go to council in March for approval.
- Kristin handed out the 2018 Accomplishments, the 2019 Goals for the department and a snapshot of 2018 flier. If anyone has any questions about these, please contact Kristin.
- Bids for the City Park building were opened on Valentine's Day. The Dotson Company from Whitehouse won the bid. There will be a pre-construction meeting on Monday. No date has been set for demolition. The front entrance will be closed for three weeks; the park will not be closed.
- Jodi Anderson asked about the little library at the TACC, wondering if there were books for it. Kristin said that for safety reasons the library will be placed inside the TACC and will be able to be moved around if need be. We do have books available.

### **Coordinators Reports**

- Ivan: Upcoming programs were highlighted. March 23 will be the Pint Sized Prom. Planning is underway for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Super Dash. We are getting all of the final details for the summer programs. The summer brochure should be out in April. MindBody is a great deal and opportunity; keep this in mind to help you reach your fitness goals.
- Chris: The Hygge Program went well and everyone had a nice time. Regular programming has been going on as scheduled (weather permitting). Things are happening at Simpson Garden Park, plants are growing and staff is returning. Planning is in the early stages for a mitigation plan out at Wintergarden. There are

drainage problems out there. The Environmental Studies Department at BGSU will be studying and researching an environmental impact plan of the area. They will have a presentation of their findings once their research is complete. This will be a very visible project that will need funding.

**Lobby Visitation**

Councilman Herald thanked the board for looking closely at the pool rates and for not raising the daily rates for residents. He believes that the park system as a whole should be accessible to all citizens of Bowling Green.

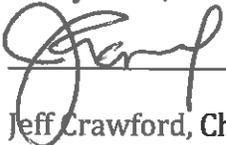
**Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Robin Veitch and a second by Cale Hover at 7:42 pm.

Cale Hover asked for date clarification on the Park Board retreat and Jeff Crawford said that it will be on March 14, 2019 from 4-6 pm at the Rotary Nature Center. No business will be conducted.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Witt, 3.8.2019

  
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Jeff Crawford, Chair

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Next Meeting: March 26, 2019 - Simpson Meeting Room