



**Monday, September 22, 2025 7:30pm
Recreation Commission Minutes**



Members Present: Briggs, Boulware, Ganim, Gawlik, Hanna and Lazaridis

Members Absent: Brubaker

Also Present: Brian Kardos (CVYO), Rachele Engle and Carolyn Jatsek

Minutes:

Approval of June 23, 2025 Minutes Motioned by Ganim, Seconded by Lazaridis

Approval of August 25, 2025 Minutes Motioned by Ganim, Seconded by Lazaridis

Director's Report:

Kid's Quarters project is progressing, they have begun the playground surfacing and it is coming along nicely. The Outdoor Pickleball Courts reopened this week. The current timeline looks like Kids Quarters Grand Re-opening will be in late October or early November.

The Natatorium opened today at noon, one day earlier than scheduled. Thanks to Joe, Luis and the aquatic staff for all their hard work. The Activity pool will be re-opening as scheduled tomorrow. We have 20 submissions so far for the t-shirt contest. Voting will take place in the next week or so at the Community Center.

CVYO Report:

All fall sports are ongoing. Basketball tryouts will be in October for 3rd-6th grade. Please visit Beestravelbasketball.com for more information.

Old Business:

Chairman Ganim revisited the Liaison conversation. Areas have been assigned and emailed out earlier this month. There were a few popular areas, that everyone wanted, so we tried to take preferences into account when making the assignments.

These were the measurable items shared by each Commission Member for their area:

Athletic Facilities – Denise Gawlik

- parents routine, general perspective
- are the fields/courts ready for the sport or event that is taking place
- ready? Clean? Overall maintenance of the field/court
- access & availability
- ease in scheduling
- general positives and negatives of each facility
- what they need vs. wish list for each specific venue
- talk to parents about their experience when at a field/court

Athletic Program Offering- Lauren Brubaker

- Comparing the offerings we have vs other surrounding communities - can we add anything more?
- Tracking the trends in enrollments year over year for current programs (overall and female vs male)

-See where programs tend to be lacking in enrollment historically (is this because of travel/CYO programming?)

Aquatics Facilities & Programming- Nick Hanna

- track usage/ general usage rates/ see how much the pool is being used during certain times
- availability of lap swim
- take a look at our competitive swim & synchro offerings
- usage availability? Is there any down time?
- talk to families about the “fun pool” (activity pool)
- do we need to try and fill the pool more?
- once the outdoor pool opens again, have discussions with patrons using it

Fitness Area & Programming- Andi Lazaridis

- Metrics on usage and participation
- when is peak usage
- equipment availability & equipment condition
- equipment down time?
- equipment to user ratio
- Cleanliness of the facility, survey participants
- user satisfaction
- “common’ user themes in the fitness area
- group fitness class, number of participants
- special challenges? And if there are any- what participation looks like
- program revenue & equipment repair cost on financial side to track overtime
- incident reports in fitness?

Community Facilities- Johnathon Briggs

- general sentiment from our visitors about the facilities
- court availability/fair play usage amongst the visiting folks
- what is good? How are we managing that in a good way and enhance some things if needed.
- the new KQ will be a new play environment for children. Any safety concerns? Engage with parents in those areas.

Other Programming- Chuck Boulware

- Quantitative Metrics...
- number of events planned
- revenue vs. cost
- % of events scheduled vs. what is delivered

New Business:

Proposed Rates for 2026 were sent to Commission several weeks ago to review. Discussion was had on a few highlighted items. It was motioned by Hanna and seconded by Gawlik to recommend the rates to City Council.

Public Comments:

The BBHCSD School Board Meet the Candidate Night is Wednesday October 2nd at the BBHMS Auditorium. All four candidates will be speaking to the questions. Registration is open for the 12th Annual Ken Ganley and Kiwanis Trick or Trot 5K and One Mile

Fun Run on Saturday October 25th. It is a fun event where runners can dress up in costume and trick or treat for candy as they run. Booville is Sunday October 26th, and registration for Brecksville Residents will be open on October 1st.

Adjournment:

Motioned by Ganim, seconded by Gawlik at 8:12pm

Respectfully submitted by Carolyn Jatsek