

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 24, 2011 MEETING OF THE BRECKSVILLE RECREATION COMMISSION

Recreation Commission Council Representative Rex Mack called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Roll Call was taken. Members present: Nanci Schlabig, Pat Barth, Candice Beaver, Recreation Commission Council Representative Rex Mack and Brian Stucky. Also present: Recreation Director Tom Tupa and Clerk of Recreation Commission Kelly McNeill, and Athletic Director Pete Kormos. Brecksville resident also present: Meg English. Absent: Charles Cassaro and Don Lastoria.

Organizational Meeting

The first order of business, Recreation Commission Council Representative Rex Mack administered the oath of office, confirming the appointments by the Mayor, of Nanci Schlabig and Patrick Barth, as Citizen Members to the Recreation Commission of the City of Brecksville for a term of four (4) years, commencing January 2, 2011 and ending January 1, 2015.

Councilman Rex Mack called for nominations for Chairman of the Recreation Commission whereupon it was moved by Brian Stucky to nominate Nanci Schlabig for Chairman of the Recreation Commission for the year 2011. It was moved by Brian Stucky and seconded by Candice Beaver to close nominations. Motion carried. Roll call was taken and Nanci Schlabig was unanimously elected Chairman of the Brecksville Recreation Commission for 2011.

Councilman Rex Mack then called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairman of the Brecksville Recreation Commission whereupon it was moved by Councilman Rex Mack to nominate Brian Stucky for Vice-Chairman for the year 2011. It was moved by Patrick Barth, seconded by Candice Beaver to close nominations. Motion carried unanimously. Roll call was taken and Brian Stucky was unanimously elected Vice-Chairman of the Brecksville Recreation Commission for 2011.

Councilman Rex Mack nominated Pat Barth for the position of Secretary to the Brecksville Recreation Commission for the year 2011. Motion carried unanimously. It was moved by Rex Mack, seconded by Candice Beaver, to close the nominations for Secretary. Motion carried unanimously. Roll call was taken and Pat Barth was unanimously elected Secretary to the Brecksville Recreation Commission for 2011.

With the organizational portion of the meeting concluded, Councilman Rex Mack turned the chair over to Nanci Schlabig.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 2010

A motion was made by Councilman Rex Mack and seconded by Pat Barth to dispense reading of the minutes and to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor's Report:

No Report

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Director Tom Tupa reported he spoke with Mayor Hruby regarding the Blossom Hill Property. Tupa stated, later this Spring, the city would like to have a Master Plan put together for that property. Tupa has been in contact with an architecture firm to begin getting quotes on what it would cost to put a Master Plan together.

Tupa reported on the Community Center goals relating to Capital Budget for 2011 and the happenings at the Community Center:

1. Installed one of the two new monitors at the Community Center this week. It looks really nice! Tupa stated it will be nice to get all the signs down around the Community Center.
2. The one "capital" item proposed for this year is the purchase of a new Gator for the Community Center
3. Father/Daughter Dance will be held on February 12, 2011. Sold-out already.
4. The Service Department installed lamp posts round the road at the Blossom Hill Property.
5. The City will be looking into lighting the soccer field up at Blossom which will add field use.
6. Bob Pliske, along with the help of some Service Employees, replaced the filter on the spa unit. This was a huge undertaking and Bob did a great Job!
7. Pete Kormos and Jim Kolesar installed "safety straps" on the basketball hoops in the Community Center gym.

- 8. The floors at the Community Center and Blossom will have to be “rescreened” again. The product that was used on the floor was not correct. These floors will be redone in May at no cost to the City.**
- 9. Maintenance Items being done at the Community Center:**
 - replacing light bulbs in the gymnasium**
 - painting**
 - fixing the bottoms of the lockers in the Men’s locker room**
- 10. New fees have been implemented at the Community Center.**
- 11. The new treadmills have been up and running in the fitness area since Mid-December. Steve Paciorek does a great job servicing and replacing items on the fitness equipment. He saves the City a lot of money in repair expenses.**
- 12. Adding a new and improved top dressing “Game On” to baseball fields A & B and E & F.**
- 13. Memberships were up \$75,494.00 from 2009. 2011 Memberships are off to a good start.**

Pete Kormos reported he has been working with Peak Performance to “revamp” the Summer Tennis Program. As a result, the program will be adding “Tennis For Tots” for children 4-5 years of age and will be shortening instruction time for the 6-7 year old age group. Peak Performance will be providing a USTA Certified Instructor to work along with our Recreation instructor to provide a better camp experience. Peak Performance will also be providing modified equipment for the younger age groups. In exchange, the City will be allowing Peak Performance afternoon use of one outdoor court.

COUNCIL REPORT:

Councilman Rex Mack reported on January 4, 2011 Council had their “organizational” meeting where the oaths of offices were administered and committee assignments as well as various appointments were made.

After reviewing the City Charter, Council Representative Mack clarified that the role of the Recreation Commission is to “advise” the Recreation Department, the Mayor and City Council as to what programs they feel are needed and what programs they would like to have added. In addition, the Commission’s role is to also advise regarding policies.

Mack announced the Bicentennial Ball is on February 5, 2011 at the Embassy Suites. Tickets can be purchased at the Community Center or online.

Mack reported Sergeant/Detective Russ Loede retired after 47 years of service. Chief Kancler also retired and was honored at the last City Council Meeting.

Old Business:

In regards to the “wish list,” Council Representative Rex Mack asked the Commission how they would like to proceed with researching other field houses in the area for the Blossom Hill property. Mack stated he would like to see Commission members meet with the directors of those field house facilities they feel are the best in the area. Brian Stucky also suggested, those members who would like to see these facilities, pick a date and go visit them.

BTBA

Meg English all teams have been practicing indoors. English reported she met with Don Lastoria and Coach Mutch to go over a program for the maintenance of the boy’s and girl’s high school baseball fields. English stated they would like to keep up with the fields since participating in the clean-up day this past Fall.

BTSA

Brian Stucky reported the BTSA is trying to put together an indoor high school program. Numbers were down in the nine year old age group. Somehow the BTSA pamphlets are not getting put out by Broadview Heights. The one reason the BTSA changed the name was to invite both communities.

Stucky stated the BTSA is looking forward to starting the outdoor season. Having the turf field will give them an extra month on the season.

New Business:

Chairman Schlabig asked for a motion to amend the proposed 2011 meeting schedule for the Brecksville Recreation Commission, eliminating the June 27, 2011 meeting and moving the July 25, 2011 meeting date up to Monday, July 18, 2011. It was moved by Candice Beaver and seconded by Pat Barth to approve the proposed meeting schedule as amended. Roll call was taken. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Candice Beaver and seconded by Brian Stucky to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kelly McNeill

Clerk of Commission