

**MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 24, 2014 MEETING OF THE
BRECKSVILLE RECREATION COMMISSION**

Recreation Commission Chairman Brian Stucky called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Roll Call was taken. Members present: Patrick Barth, Bob Ganley, Don Lastoria, Council Representative Laura Redinger, Nanci Schlabig, and Brian Stucky. Also present: Recreation Director Tom, Athletic Director Pete Kormos and CYVO President Meg English. Absent: Candice Beaver and Clerk of Recreation Commission Kelly McNeill.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 27, 2014 MEETING

A motion was made by Laura Redinger and seconded by Don Lastoria to dispense with reading of the minutes and to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No Report

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:

Council Representative Laura Redinger reported City Council approved at the last meeting to move ahead on the design process for the police station, so this has gone out to bid. They will also be looking at the qualifications for designers. (a multi-step process)

RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT:

Recreation Director Tom Tupa welcomed Bob Ganley to his seat on the Recreation Commission.

Tupa reported on the following:

1. Father/Daughter dance was on Saturday, February 8th. Once again, it was sold out. Kelly puts this event together and always does a great job. Thanks to Pete Kormos, Padmini Patnaik, Max and Myles Rapkin for helping Kelly out.
2. Mayor's conversation at the Human Services Dept and his State of the City Address was well attended last week. The Mayor gave a lot of insight about the future projects for 2014. Happy to say that Blossom was talked about a lot.

- 3. Coporate Memberships are up to 88 members. This cap is at 500 members.**
- 4. The ceiling tiles at the Community Center were installed. They still have a few more to put in the restrooms by the Community Room.**
- 5. The first phase of the lockers will start hopefully next Monday or Tuesday. And then the second phase will be completed the following week.**
- 6. The front desk carpeting will be installed shortly after that depending on the number of workers the Service Department has available.**
- 7. Capital Improvements not mentioned at last months meeting:**
 - Replacement of gutter grates in the Natatorium**
 - Screening the Cardio Room floors on the 2nd level of the Human Service Building**
 - Purchasing two (2) ADA lifts for both pools at the Community Center**
 - Replacing tile in men's locker room**

Tupa asked for Recreation Commission's approval on the following proposed classes in the Aquatic's department that the Recreation Department would like to try to generate additional revenues:

- 1. Snorkel & SCUBA Clinic (2 day event)**
 - Buckeye Diving will be supplying the equipment**
 - RESMEM: \$65.00, RES: \$75.00, NR: \$85.00**

Brian Stucky asked Tupa where he came up with the fee schedule. Trying to figure out cost between instructor and participants and come to a "happy" medium. Brian Stucky suggested to make a motion to accept the new Snorkel & SCUBA Clinic on a trial basis. A motion was made by Don Lastoria and seconded by Pat Barth to accept the Recreation Department's new Snorkel & SCUBA Clinic as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Aqua Egg Hunt

-Using the Human Service Therapy for children 6 mos. to 6 years old. Older children 7yrs-10 years old will be in the Community Center pool. Prizes will be given out. Proposed Fees are: RESMEM: \$3, RES: \$4, NR: \$5. The Therapy pool will be closed for adults during this time.

A motion was made by Brian Stucky and seconded by Laura Redinger to accept the addition of the Easter Egg Hunt Activity as presented, with date of event to follow. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Learn-to-Swim Classes

-Recreation Department would like to offer Learn-to-Swim classes at a reduced fee of \$20 (similar to the 3rd child discount) for those kids signed up for Summer Camp the same week.

-Camp Counselors would walk to kids to their learn-to-swim class and then pick them up when the class is done.

A motion was made by Pat Barth and seconded by Bob Ganley to approve the discounted Learn-to-Swim Class Fee by \$20 to those kids participating in Summer Camp programs that same week. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Stucky welcomed and thanked Bob Ganley for joining the Recreation Commission.

OLD BUSINESS:

Stucky asked if the Recreation Commission could ask the City if they can govern what races are brought in to the City. What is the initial intent of the race? Is it a Charity Run? What are the criteria for people requesting to have a road race? Who is the ultimate decision maker? Can the Recreation Department be a part of the decision making process.

A motion was made by Nanci Schlabig and seconded by Don Lastoria to put together a possible list of criteria (after approval by the Mayor) for races wanting to come into the City of Brecksville. Motion Carried unanimously.

CVYO:

CVYO President Meg English shared a document similar to the one that the City have drafted under the previous Recreation Department administration stating that the City would be affiliated with the BTBA and the BTBA would be the provider of travel baseball for the City of Brecksville. Since that time, CVYO has formed and travel soccer, the Run 4 Your Life Program, and the high school soccer programs have now been added. English said it was time to update this document to reflect the current criteria updates. Stucky noted the Brecksville Travel Association had the 51% Brecksville resident participation, the BSA was also approved at 51% for Brecksville-Broadview Heights School System. The new criteria for the Run 4 Your Life Program is at 51% Brecksville residents. The Cuyahoga Valley Soccer Academy is 33% Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School due to the Ohio Athletic Association rules that only allows a team only five people from a school system on a spring/summer team. This is a mandated rule and because The BSA is a stepping stone for this program (for kids up to age 14) and this is a mandated rule. Otherwise, the kids would not stay in our youth program. English also noted another important part of this document is the rental fees established by the City. In those rental fees, preferred programs are addressed. A motion was made by Pat Barth and seconded by Nanci Schlabig to approve the document as presented by CVYO President Meg English. (copy attached)

BTBA:

No report.

BSA:

Brian Stucky reported there will be 18 teams in the spring. Stucky is concerned about the incredible amount of kids they are losing, that should be coming over from the Broadview Heights program. Broadview Heights typically has 60 kids in their program and only (10) ten kids are coming over to Brecksville. Stucky believes the other kids

are quitting due to various reasons, one being poor coaching at the lower levels. Kormos & Stucky are still trying to get a handle as to why this is happening.

Stucky reported the BSA is giving the Chuck McLuckie Memorial Scholarship \$1000, for the first time, to a BBHHS senior boy or girl.

Stucky reported the Run 4 Your Life Winter session just finished. There were between 70-100 kids every weekend. There will be a spring and summer workout and run for kids. Have tried summer family runs, but they have not taken off. If anyone has any suggestions, please let Brian know. English commented if the City had more facilities to accommodate groups like this, the turn out might be greater. This information will be in the Brecksville Bulletin. The Run 4 Your Life Program will also be presenting for the first time, a \$1000 Scholarship to a BBHHS senior boy or girl.

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Nanci Schlabig and seconded by Pat Barth to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

**Respectfully submitted:
Kelly McNeill
Clerk of Commission**