

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 25, 2013 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: Pat Barth, Candice Beaver, Charles Cassaro, Nanci Schlabig and Brian Stucky. Also present: Recreation Director Tom Tupa, Clerk of Recreation Commission Kelly McNeill, Athletic Director Pete Kormos and CYVO President Meg English. Absent: Council Representative Rex Mack and Don Lastoria.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 28, 2013 MEETING

A motion was made by Nanci Schlabig and seconded by Candice Beaver to dispense reading of the minutes and to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No Report

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:

No Report

RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT:

Recreation Director Tom Tupa reported the Father/Daughter Grandfather/Granddaughter Dance which was held on Saturday, February 9th from 7pm-9pm was sold out and a big success. Thanks to Kelly McNeill for putting it all together and Pete Kormos for helping out. We have gotten many compliments regarding the event.

The new scoreboards are installed in the field house. Tupa thanked the Service Department, Pete Kormos, Jim Kolesar, Bob Pliske and his staff for putting up the scoreboards. It definitely was a "group effort."

Tupa reported he will be asking City Council, at the next Council meeting, to approve the purchase of three new pieces of fitness equipment.

The improvements to the "back hallway" near the Community Room are almost complete. Tupa stated they had to switched gears; originally the back hallway was going to be painted, but due to the conditions of the walls, they are now going to be papered. This project should be completed in two weeks.

Athletic Director Pete Kormos announced the City will be starting an Adult Co-Ed Soccer League. (*See Rules & Guidelines attached*) The program is based roughly off of what the cities of Brunswick, Medina and Hudson have done. We have added a

few more guidelines to our program. Kormos is proposing to have the games on Saturday and Sunday evenings at 6:00pm, 7:15pm and 8:30pm beginning June 1st. This should be a good time because the Spring season of the BSA will have ended and will it will allow the Adult League to wrap up in time for the BSA to begin in the fall. Kormos stated he hopes to have twelve teams; 3 games on Saturday evenings and 3 games on Sunday evenings. Registration will begin April 1 and end May 17, 2013. Brian Stucky asked who was going to be refereeing. It was suggested by Meg English and Pat Barth to look into using Kevin Heneghan with the Suburban Umpire Association. All were in favor of this new program. Kormos also reported he is currently searching for a Commissioner for the league.

New Business:

Brian Stucky reported he attended the State of the City Address. Mayor Hruby presented the Proposed Blossom Plan and ideas on how they plan to fund the project. The Mayor is looking for feedback from the community. The options presented were: bonds, borrowing money and/or taking a portion of the income tax back from those Brecksville residents who work “outside” of Brecksville. The Mayor has stated he will not raise property taxes. If the City of Brecksville incorporates this income tax for fifteen years, this would bring in approximately \$15 million dollars over that time.

Nanci Schlabig reported they have received two sponsors so far: Marcs - \$1,000 and Lubrizol - \$500. Race Forms should be done this week. Will be put out on Hermes website as well as sent out via email to everyone who has run the last three years. Will get forms to the Vertical Runner Store in Brecksville and to Hermes so they can circulate at area running events.

Brian Stucky reported the Run 4 Your Life Program has just finished up. It went 15 weeks indoor. There were 23 kids in the first session and 42 kids in the second session. It was packed! Stucky held a pizza party at Vertical Runner from 1pm to 3pm for those who participated in the program. Over fifty people showed up and they each received a Run 4 Your Life t-shirt. Stuckey stated next year the program will run from November 2013 through the end of February 2014 and will be called Cross Fit (still under the Run 4 Your Life Program.) Stucky said this is truly a “Cross Fit Program,” not just a running program. Also, Stucky reported the sessions will be expanding from two hours to three hours. Stucky has recruited a couple girls, who have attended the workouts, to help out Mondays & Wednesdays

for kids all summer. Stucky stated he hopes to do a Thursday night session for families.

Nanci Schlabig asked if the Recreation Commission needed to have a representative at the meeting being held by the Charter Review Commission. Stucky will check to see if a representative from Recreation Commission is needed.

Director Tom Tupa announced the BBHHS Swim Team sent a record number of students to States. Great season! Wrestling also has a number of kids down at States as well. This winter has been a great season for our teams. The boys 9th, JV & Varsity Basketball Teams are 62-3 this year. Probably the best it has ever been as a combined group. Pat Barth's team just won States going 37-0. Schlabig believes our youth programs/"feeder programs" which Pete Kormos runs have helped contribute to our successes.

CVYO:

BSA:

Brian Stucky reported the following:

- Twenty-two (22) teams for the Spring
- Will be in the State League & GAASA Soccer Leagues
- 2nd year with the High School program (can only five kids from one community.) Combing with Strongsville, North Royalton, Hudson and Brecksville to put teams together. Would like to get a "constant" group that will play together every year for the high school program. This team will be under the BSA however it will not be called the BEES SOCCER ACADEMY. They will probably play under the name of Cuyahoga Valley Youth Soccer Association just as the BTA does with baseball.

Charlie Cassaro stated he is glad to hear that because of our "feeder programs," high school coaches are becoming more involved with our programs. Josh Thacker (Girls Soccer Head Coach) is affiliated with the BSA. Tony Nicolli, Brian Stucky and Sean Broadbent, of the BSA, will all be helping with the program. Mike Battista, BBHHS Boy's Head Coach will again help Brian Stucky with the U-14 (8th Graders) soccer group.

BTBA:

Meg English reported the BTBA has (14) Fourteen Teams for 2013. Like Soccer, English stated the BTBA has the support of the school coaches with their programs. For example, Rex Mack, the BBHHS Girls Varsity Softball Head Coach is the U-10 BTBA Girls Program Manager. Jim Eder, the Girls JV Softball Coach is the coach of a Girl's 14 yr old team. Additionally, the BTBA will be cooperating with the

BBHHS and on March 10, 2013 there is a Boys (8-9 yr & 1& Girls Baseball/Softball Clinic from 9am to 4pm. The groups will be split up. The entire girls program will be participating in the clinic. However, the boys will only have the 8, 9, 10 & 11 year old teams participating. English stated improvements have been made in the Boy's clinic this year.

English reported Pete Kormos has allocated fields. English attended the CVBA meeting last Wednesday and they mentioned House Bill 143 regarding concussions. At this meeting, they stated the following:

- 1. Every volunteer must take a 15 minute online class.**
- 2. They must become certified.**
- 3. Must bring that certificate to every game.**

At the time, no information had been made available to the City of Brecksville's Recreation Department regarding House Bill 143. Athletic Director Pete Kormos said he would work with Meg English and look into this.

Brian Stucky suggested looking at requiring all BTBA & BTSA volunteers/coaches to be CPR certified.

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Candice Beaver and seconded by Nanci Schlbig to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm.

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