



MINUTES
REYNOLDSBURG PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
January 9, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

- a. Meeting called to order by Phillips at 5:30pm
- b. Roll Taken
 - 1. Towns, Phillips, French present
 - 2. Seryak, Chambers absent

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Parks & Recreation Commission - Meeting - October 11, 2023

- a. Motion to Approve
 - 1. French
 - 2. Towns
- b. All approved

PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. No Public present

REPORTS

Welcome New Member: Shana French

Programs & Events

- a. Registration is open for spring sports: soccer, baseball, softball, superhero soccer; registration number are looking good
 - 1. Still permitting field rentals for club soccer teams
 - 2. Modify schedule availability to all for ample parking
- b. Programming several adult program offerings have been added
 - 1. Euchre league –8 weeks, partnering with Eastside Brewing—17 spaces filled out of 20 (Jan 23-Mar 12);
 - 2. Bingo—one night, partnering with Eastside Brewing—10 of 30 spaces filled (Feb 22)
- c. Art programs for ages 5 and up available
- d. Kids Night Out remains very popular

- e. Registration is open for Safety Town, Sweetheart Dance/Daddy Daughter Date Night (sponsored by O'Charleys)

Parks Update

- a. Blacklick Creek Trail has been moved
- b. Blacklick Creek Trail restoration
 - 1. All rock vanes have been installed
 - 2. Seeding and matting being completed along with planting live stakes
- c. Brice Park:
 - 1. All contracts with Columbus have been signed
 - 2. EMH&T is in the process of preparing the bid documents
 - 3. Getting all necessary document to Columbus for review
 - 4. Hope to have this project out to bid by mid-March
- d. Public Service/Parks Maintenance Facility
 - 1. Moving along
 - 2. Building plans are almost complete
- e. Rangers
 - 1. Going well

Senior Center Report - Roseann Seryak

- a. No Report

Reynoldsburg City School Report - Julie Towns

- a. Organizational meeting last week
 - 1. Angela Abram elected School Board President
 - 2. Jeni Quesenberry elected Vice President
- b. Board retreat coming up
 - 1. Will work on goals
- c. Meetings
 - 1. Will meet the 3rd Wednesday of every month except May
- d. Committees
 - 1. Redid assignments for 2024
- e. Staffing
 - 1. Dr. Cosgrave resigned
 - 2. Jack Purtell remains Athletic Director

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Staffing:
 - 1. Will be hiring a new grounds maintenance team member (replacement due to

retirement in 2023)

2. City Council authorized the hiring of a horticulturalist assistant and another ground maintenance team member

b. Budget

1. 2024 Budget was approved for P&R

a. Total budget is \$2,697,060 (personal services \$1,540,761; Supplies \$340,729; Services \$475,287, Capital purchases \$340,283)

2. Senior Center Budget

a. \$237,544 (personal services \$187,669; supplies \$13,150, Services \$36,725

3. Total City Budget is \$31,270,875--\$21,106,101 personal services; \$1,256,329 supplies, \$7,489,662 services

c. Planning Meeting Dates for 2024

1. 2nd Tuesday of each month except May

a. May will move to 3rd Wednesday

2. Meeting start time 5:15pm

d. City Council update

1. New members

2. Parks and Recreation Chair: Lou Salvati

3. Parks and Recreation Asst. Chair: Barth Cotner

e. New Ideas/ Events

1. Will be offering a First Friday event this summer at Huber Park

a. Includes Food Trucks, Live Music, Movies

2. Paint and Sip event - can we combine a parent child option

3. Thoughts on an outdoor theater

a. Member French has some connections

4. Could we have an event that highlights our Restaurants in town?

5. Department of Developmental Disabilities is offering a grant for adult changing spaces

1. Will research

TREE COMMISSION

a. Working on Tree Aboretum City designation

b. Applied for 9th Tree City designation

ADJOURNMENT

a. Motion to adjourn: Towns

b. 2nd: French

Meeting adjourned at 6:10pm



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