

**MINUTES
REYNOLDSBURG PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
June 9, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chair Phillips at 5:15pm

Roll Taken

- a. Phillips, French, Seryak, Collins present
- b. Madrid absent

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Parks & Recreation Commission - Meeting - May

Motion to approve

- a. French
- b. Seryak

All approved

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Suttle joined the meeting

- a. Would like to see litter addressed at the park, especially in the creek areas
- b. Would like easier accessibility to the creek from JFK and Huber parks

REPORTS

Programs and Events

- a. 2026 Spring--Soccer—wrapping up this week; mostly uneventful
- b. 2026 Baseball/T-Ball going well—baseball tournament play to begin and our teams have done well this season. In a league with Obetz, Lancaster, Bexley, Groveport and Columbus
- c. Summer 250-mile Challenge—79 people registered
- d. Pride-- June 13 4p-8p Huber
- e. Juneteenth—June 20 4p-8p Huber Park
- f. Food Truck Friday—June 26 5p-8p JFK
- g. Safety Town—July 14-16 at Blacklick Woods 47 registered; 3 open spots
- h. July is Parks and Recreation month, we will be announcing additional information on our Tomato Hunt and spotlighting our team
- i. Fireworks July 3 at Civic; park opens at 6pm; entrance closes at fireworks 9:45pm
- j. Parade July 4 10am—East Main—rain or shine 😊
- k. Tomato Festival August 13—7 Bridges; August 14—Dru Hill; August 15--

Everclear

Parks Updates

- a. Continue with mowing; prepping area at Civic for fireworks
- b. Hanging baskets are up!
- c. Streetscape—keeping up on litter, weeds, mowing, and mulch
- d. GameTime award had 2nd read and passage at the June 8 Council Meeting—goal is to complete by 12/31/2026
- e. JFK Pickleball/Tennis Courts—fence to be installed next week
- f. Brice Park Grand Opening on July 22 at 3:30—everyone invited
- g. Huber Park—Blacklick Creek Stream Bank—project—Numerous willows that were established from live stakes are thriving along with native trees, shrubs, and perennials. Planning to do additional planting along the southern bank

Staff Update

- a. Streetscape Operator —one open position; position posted on website
- b. Park Ranger—one open position; reviewing applications

Old Business

1. Parks Maintenance and Public Service Facility
 - a. Weekly meetings
 - b. Anticipated move in date to the Admin Building is mid-July, 2026; Admin building is coming along nicely! Flooring complete, doors installed, restrooms—fixtures, partitions, cabinetry, showers; breakroom—cabinets, flooring; vehicle maintenance—equipment installed; dry storage unconditioned—slab to be poured on 6/10—60 trucks of concrete!! Brine tank installed; salt barn completed; access road—George Twyford Way paving/widening to begin end of June
2. Transportation/Compost/Recycling
 - a. Burg Bus: January—226 riders; February-- 231 riders; March—239 riders; April—265 riders—Total to date 961 riders
 - b. Food Waste Drop-Off May—2615.4 pounds; total to date 13,425.4 pounds or 6.71 tons
 - c. Single use plastic collection---132 pounds for May; 107 pounds for first 8 days of June! 730 pounds so far for 2026

- d. Household recycling—200.94 tons for April; 166.84 tons for May; 2026 total 836.46 tons
- 3. Pros Consulting for the Parks Master Plan
 - a. Approaching final stage!
 - b. Presentation to council 9/14

New Business

- 1. COSI
 - a. COSI proposal—COSI week for residents July 20-26—more into to come
 - b. Legislation making its way through Council for an agreement with COSI to attend and provide programming during the Tomato Festival—August 13—4p-8p; August 14—4p-8p; August 15—12p-8p
- 2. Operation Pollination
 - a. 7 registered homes

Senior Center Report - Roseann Seyak

- 1. Next Board Meeting is in July
- 2. Chair Volleyball players received new shirts

Reynoldsburg City Schools Report - Shana French

- 1. Free Lunch program for the month of June 11a to 1p at Herbert Mills
- 2. Projects
 - a. Livingston High School sewer
 - b. Waggoner Paving and roof repair
 - c. Baldwin cooling tower

TREE COMMISSION

- 1. Looking for members—any leads on anyone who has a passion for trees; one individual interested. Please spread the word!

ADJOURNMENT

- 1. No Meeting in July or August
- 2. Motion to Adjourn
 - a. Seryak
 - b. French



Adjourned at 6:36pm