

Fraser Parks & Recreation Commission
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Tuesday – February 7, 2012 – 7:00 pm
Municipal Building

A regular meeting of the Fraser Parks and Recreation Commission was conducted on the above date at the Fraser Municipal Building, located at 33000 Garfield Road, Fraser, and County of Macomb, Michigan.

Present: Chairperson: Michael Lesich; Members: Karen Silverthorn, John Politis, Sandy Caloia, Jim Stelma, Lynn Evans-Rottman and Buddies Representative Shannon McCalley

Absent: Deborah Hurren

Also Present: Candace Kawalec, Recording Secretary
Brian Kay, Recreation Director

1. **Call Meeting to Order**

Chairperson Lesich called meeting to order at 7:10p.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Approval of Agenda**

Commissioner Stelma moved, seconded by Commissioner Evans-Rottman to **APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 7, 2012 RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA.**

Motion carried unanimously.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Stelma moved, seconded by Chairperson Caloia to **APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 3, 2012.**

Motion carried unanimously.

5. **Old Business**

A. **Status of 2012 Valentine Dance**

Vania Apps – Fraser First Booster Club

Ms. Apps stated she has received many donations so far for the dance (and for the Barrier Free Park fund), exceeding last year's amount. A Detroit News article that was printed on February 6th raised much interest around Macomb County in regards to the dance, and the park itself.

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Set up for the dance will be at 11:00am and help is needed not only for set up, but at the dance itself, collecting tickets at the door especially.

The dance is completely sold out, and Zuccaro's upgraded the meatballs to roast beef, free of charge. The food will be on the dance floor this year allowing for more tables to be set up to accommodate the crowd.

6. New Business

A. Public Hearing for the City of Fraser 2012-2016 Master Recreation Plan

Councilman Paul Cilluffo- stated that the Recreation Plan represents the hard work of the City employees and Recreation Commissioners, as well as the community who had participated in the process as well.

Vania Apps, Fraser First Booster Club- stated that this is the most detailed five year Master Plan that the City has had in many years and it has shown a great collaboration between the Commission and Recreation Department.

B. Consider Recommendation to Submit 2012-2016 Five Year Master Recreation Plan to City Council for Approval

Commissioner Silverthorn moved, seconded by Commissioner Stelma **TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO SUBMIT THE 2012-2016 FIVE YEAR RECREATION MASTER PLAN TO CITY COUNCIL ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2012 FOR APPROVAL.**

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Review of McKinley Park MNRTF Grant Application Progress and City Requirements

Vania Apps, Fraser First Booster Club reviewed and updated the Commission on the progress of the grant, and also gave each Commissioner a copy of the action plan to achieve the goals needed for this grant.

It was also stated that the monies used for grants are royalties from gas and oil companies, dedicated to these specific types of needs (land and park improvements), and not from general fund tax dollars.

It is very important that the Five Year Master Recreation Plan be submitted prior to March 1, 2012, and the grant work be submitted by April 1, 2012.

D. Discuss Expiring Commission Terms and Notification/Application Process

Commissioner Evans-Rottman has decided to stay on Commission and will turn in her application.

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Commissioner Politis is mainly undecided at this time. If he decided to stay on, he will turn in an application soon, if not, he will sit on the Commission until the seat can be filled.

Commissioner Hurren was not in attendance to discuss her decision.

Buddies Representative Shannon McCalley would like to remain on as the alternate member of the Commission.

7. Report from Buddies Representative

Buddies Representative Shannon McCalley updated the Commission and audience on the fun Buddies activities that will take place over the next few months, as well as a dance she participates in through Warren Woods.

8. Citizen Participation

Councilman Paul Cilluffo- great job on the Master Plan, the effort alone is monumental. Thank you all.

9. Report from Director

Director Brian Kay stated that an email went out to all the people on our mailing list, providing them with a lineup of upcoming programs.

Director Kay is also very happy to have the Recreation Master Plan completed.

10. Commission Members with Concerns

Commissioner Stelma stated that he sent out an email to the Booster Club seeking a donation for the 13 year old girl (from Richards Middle School) who passed away and was told a 501(c)3 is unable to donate. The family is in need of financial help for the funeral and burial.

Commissioner Evans-Rottman will submit application to remain on Recreation Commission (pending Council approval)

Commissioner Caloia is excited about the Valentines dance on Saturday.

Commissioner Silverthorn had no comment at this time.

Commissioner Politis gave kudos to all who helped with the Five Year Recreation Master Plan.

Chairperson Lesich had no comment at this time.

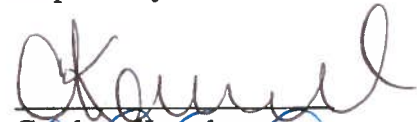
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12. **Adjournment**

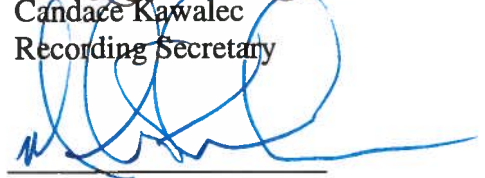
Commissioner Silverthorn moved, seconded by Commissioners Caloia to
**ADJOURN THE RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING OF
FEBRUARY 7, 2012 AT 8:23P.M.**

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Candace Kawalec
Recording Secretary



Michael Lesich
Parks & Recreation
Commission Chairperson

Deborah Hurren
Parks & Recreation
Commission Secretary

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