

Fraser Parks & Recreation Commission
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Tuesday, November 10th 2015
Fraser 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 Linda Stonebreaker, Vice Chairperson Sherry Stein; Commissioners Chris Meller, Jerry Brown, Gloria Buffa, Michael Lesich

Absent: Secretary Sarah Kelley

Also Present: Christina Woods, Recreation Director
Kyle Leshner, Recording Secretary

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairperson Stonebreaker called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Agenda

COMMISSIONER MELLER MOVED, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRPERSON STEIN
TO APPROVE THE RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER 10TH 2015.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes

VICE CHAIRPERSON STEIN MOVED, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROWN
TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR
MEETING OF OCTOBER 6TH 2015.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Old Business

A. Review of Halloween Party

Christina Woods, Parks and Recreation Director

Christina said the Halloween Party went great and there were about 500 attendees in the two sessions combined, which is the most in two years. The food and magician were both great, and the event got overall good feedback. One thing that should be considered for next year is the amount of people that were there, and a possible solution may be having a third session to space it out a little.

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6. Recreation Master Plan 2017-2021 Ideas and Discussion

Christina Woods, Parks and Recreation Director

The Commission continued to talk about new ideas and looking for things that can be improved. Chairperson Stonebreaker talked about having a PowerPoint presentation at the meetings so the commission can see for themselves. Christina stated that surveys will be formulated for the public in January, and Commissioner Lesich is looking for ways to keep the cost down.

7. Updates on McKinley Barrier Free Park

Vania Apps, McKinley Barrier Free Park

Vania said two balloons from the walk and roll were found in Ohio. The park is officially closed for winter, but people can still use it. The paths won't be cleared for the winter, but the parking lot will be. Some ideas for the park include a nature trail, bike path, service dogs, concession stands, and a talent show.

8. New Business

A. Christmas in Fraser

Christina Woods, Parks and Recreation Director

Donations have been coming in pretty steady. The Goodfellows, DPW, Lions Club, and Fraser First will all be helping and the Recreation Department is still looking for some volunteers to help. Christina is also looking into getting an ice sculpture.

B. Applications Open for Commissioners with terms ending 12/31

Christina Woods, Parks and Recreation Director

Christina discussed the process that will be followed: the application process will be opened up and then interviews will be done on January 4th. Commissioner Lesich made a motion to have Commissioner Buffa and Kelly's terms extended until seats are filled, Vice Chairperson Stein seconded, and the motion passed.

C. Park Assessment Review

Commissioner Lesich made note of some tree limbs that were down at Meadow Park. Commissioner Brown walked about Somerset Park needing some paint jobs, replacing the merry go round, and improving the volleyball court. Chairperson Stonebreaker is going to take pictures so everybody can see what she saw at Pompo Park. Chairperson Stonebreaker made a motion to put another Park Assessment Review on the agenda for February, Commissioner Brown seconded, and the motion passed.

D. Resignation of Commissioner Lesich

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Commissioner Lesich will be sending his letter of resignation to Christina and the City Manager's office, and would like to thank everyone for working with him and also is looking forward to hearing from the Commission in the future. The other commissioners wished Commissioner Lesich the best of luck on City Council.

9. Report from Buddies Representative

Shannon McCalley, Buddies Representative

Shannon shared that the Buddies group will be having their Thanksgiving party on November 18th, and their Christmas Party will be December 9th. She also gave information on the upcoming dances in Warren

10. Citizen Participation

11. Report from Recreation Director

Christina Woods, Parks and Recreation Director

Christina announced that Parks and Rec will be working with the Starlight Dance Academy. The basketball leagues and clinics are going to be starting up soon, and Fraser will be joining the Warren league again this year. Christina said that the Fall's main sports programs went really well. New programs coming up will be the Indoor Park for kids, Lego Robotics Camp, and a possible one day guitar class. The Mythbusters field trip has been cancelled. Christina also announced that Parks and Rec will be partnering up with the United Soccer League. Vice Chairperson Stein brought up the possibility of offering a cheerleading program because of how successful it was in the summer.

12. Commission Members with Concerns

Commissioner Meller, Buffa, and Stein all congratulated Commissioner Lesich on winning his City Council seat. Chairperson Stonebreaker announced that the Fraser Activity Center is now offering gift certificates for senior programs.

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Adjournment

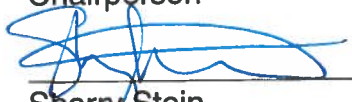
COMMISSIONER LESICH MOVED, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROWN
TO ADJOURN THE RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING OF NOVEMBER
10TH 2015 AT 8:01 PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Linda Stonebreaker
Parks & Recreation Commission
Chairperson



Sherry Stein
Parks & Recreation Commission
Vice Chairperson

Sarah Kelley
Parks & Recreation Commission
Secretary



Christina Woods
Parks & Recreation Director