

Fraser Parks & Recreation Commission
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
January 16th 2018
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 Sherry Stein; Vice Chairperson Laura Lesich; Commissioners Tom Colwell, Linda Stonebreaker

Absent: Secretary Sarah Kelley; Buddies Representative Shannon McCalley

Also Present: Christina Woods, Recreation Director

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairperson Stein called meeting to order at 7:37 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Agenda for January 16 2018

VICE CHAIRPERSON LESICH MOVED, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COLWELL TO APPROVE THE RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA FOR JANUARY 16 2018.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes from November 14th 2017

COMMISSIONER COLWELL MOVED, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRPERSON LESICH TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 14TH 2017

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Current Status of Recreation and Senior Departments

Director Woods stated that as of December 21st the Activity Center essentially closed. Shortly after the County department which issues the CDBG Grant notified the City that the Activity Center, which receives grants from HUD for senior services, must continue to offer senior services in the building. At the January Council Meeting Director Woods spoke to council regarding this information and explained that the Recreation and Senior departments were intertwined so both should be brought back. She stated to the Recreation Commission that the two departments will be looking at eliminating some things and increasing fees for some things to become more financially stable. She stated that currently the department is creating programming and events.

6. Fraser Parks and Recreation and Senior Center Gratitudes

Director Woods thanked the following for their service to the Department and the community:

For 2017 Christmas in Fraser: Fraser Recreation Staff Members, Fraser Lions Club, Maxx Towing and Repairs, Arts Academy in the Woods, Fraser Goodfellows, Boy Scout Pack 1904, Pack 1461, Troop 1402, Troop 206, Girl Scout Troop 75689, Fraser Band, Arts Academy Singers, Arts Academy Band, Arts Academy Dancers, Arts Academy Actors, Manda's Rhythm & Dance, El Charro, Starlight Dance Academy, Fraser city Council, Mandy Perry Family, Fraser Public Schools Catering, Finesse Ice

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Sculptures, Showdown muscle Cars, Wioskowski Family, Catherine Jones Parker family, Rushford family, Sunny Days and family, Nancy Berube, Stein Family, Cherly LaCasse, Fraser First Booster Club, Pamela Pitts, naughty Knitters Club and many more!

For 2017 Senior Christmas Party: Senior Center Staff, Julie Torres, Mayor Pro Tem Kathy Blanke, Councilman Michael Lesich, Karen and Bruce Silverthorn, Oakmont, American House, Councilmember Patrice Schornak, Schotts Catering, Fraser Singers, and Kimberly Jozefiak Farnum!

7. Updates on McKinley Barrier Free Park

Fraser First Booster Club President Vania Apps stated that the updated panels for the McKinley Park Playground will be coming in March. FFBC applied for a grant for design and accessibility. Swings will be put in the park when funds become available or when funded by a grant. FFBC has some upcoming fundraisers including trivia night and the February 10th Valentine Dance.

8. Other New Business

A. Interviews for 2 commission seats terms ending December 31st 2020, 1 commission seat ending December 31st 2018.

The commission interviewed Nancy Berube, Cheryl LaCasse and David Bodgan for 3 open seats. The commission asked the same questions to each of the applicants, and following the interviews voted by ballot to fill the 3 open seats.

B. Motion to Recommend Persons to Open Commission Seats

COMMISSIONER STONEBREAKER MOVED, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRPERSON LESICH TO RECOMMEND NANCY BERUBE FOR RECREATION COMMISSION TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31 2020

Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER STONEBREAKER MOVED, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRPERSON LESICH TO RECOMMEND DAVID BODGAN FOR RECREATION COMMISSION TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31 2018

Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER STONEBREAKER MOVED, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRPERSON LESICH TO RECOMMEND CHERYL LACASSE FOR RECREATION COMMISSION TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31 2020

Motion carried unanimously.

C. 2018 Recreation Commission meeting Dates

The commission reviewed the dates for the upcoming year:

February 6th	August 14th
March 6th	September 4th
April 3rd	October 2nd
May 1st	November 13th
June 5th	December 4 th
July 10th	

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9. Citizen Participation

Vania Apps, 31641 York Street – Shared the entertainment sponsors for the Valentine dance: Freers Freers Freers Attorneys at Law, Kalka Attorneys at law, Goodman Banega Insurance Company, Davis Kirksey Associates, Gudrun Goetz, Maxx Towing, Liz McIntosh Russel, Crystal Clean Car Wash, Middleton Auto Parts. Vania encouraged the community to utilize these companies who have given to make McKinley Park a reality. Vania also shared that the Farmers market will be under the umbrella of Fraser First Booster Club. Vania also welcomed the new commission members.

10. Commission members with concerns

Commissioner Stonebreaker – Feels the commission will be in good hands with the three new appointees. She will not be far and will still continue to volunteer.

Commissioner Colwell – Thanks Director Woods for continuing to support and work for recreation opportunities for the city.

Vice Chairperson Lesich - Agrees with Commissioner Colwell and welcomed the new commissioners. Vice Chair Lesich thanked Commissioner Stonebreaker for her years of service and new ideas for the Fraser community. Vice Chair Lesich also shared upcoming events with Macomb county Bicentennial.

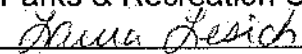
Chairperson Stein – Thanked Commissioner Stonebreaker for her years of service, thanked Director Woods for her work and effort through this situation, and welcomed the new commissioners.

11. Adjournment

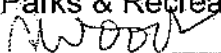
COMMISSIONER STONEBREAKER MOVED, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRPERSON LESICH TO ADJOURN THE RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING OF JANUARY 16TH 2018 AT 8:35 PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sherry Stein
Chairperson
Parks & Recreation Commission


Laura Lesich
Vice Chair
Parks & Recreation Commission

Sarah Kelley
Secretary
Parks & Recreation Commission


Christina Woods
Director Parks & Recreation