

Minutes of Feb.21st, 2019

The regular meeting of the Grand Blanc Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by B. Hester at the Grand Blanc Parks and Recreation Office, 360 E. Grand Blanc Road, Grand Blanc, Michigan.

Commission Present:	Brad Hester	Chairman
	Jason Macco	Vice Chairman
	Matt Simpson	Commissioner
	Paula Nas	Secretary/Deputy Treasurer

Staff Present:	Kae Eidson	Director
	Jamie Weasel	Assistant Director
	Carol Neumann	Office Manager
	Senja Liimatta	Recreation Programmer
	Misty Moen	Senior Coordinator
	Chris Hester	Maintenance Supervisor

Absent:	Tom Pettit	Treasurer
	Lonnie Adkins	Commissioner
	Jake Mengel	Commissioner

Agenda

B. Hester requested a motion to accept the February agenda as presented. J. Macco made the motion and M. Simpson provided support. Vote taken 4 yeas – 0 nays. Motion carried.

Minutes

B. Hester requested a motion to accept the January 17, 2019 minutes. M. Simpson made the motion and support was provided by J. Macco. Vote taken 4 yeas – 0 nays. Motion carried.

Directors Report

Eidson noted she and J. Weasel attended a meeting with Flint Genesee Visitors & Convention Bureau along with 3 County Commissioners regarding the infield upgrades at Bicentennial Park. Eidson noted there is \$80K slated from the Townships Capital Projects for 2019, along with \$20k from the Community Foundation. Based on the meeting the feeling is they are strongly considering contributing \$50k from the hotel tax proceeds. Eidson noted we may know in the next week or so if it is approved. K. Eidson indicated if the funding does come through work would not begin until September time frame.

B. Hester asked where we are at with millage money. Eidson noted we have submitted several capital projects which are in the budget but are essentially on hold.

Assistant Director

J. Macco inquired about the new power supply associated with the Ice Rink/Splash Pad project, will be in place for the summer concert series? J. Weasel noted it should be in place by July 9th but it is feasible we may have to get a generator if there are any delays.

B. Hester inquired about how many concerts are scheduled for the 2019 season. J. Weasel indicated there would be four regular concerts plus one additional concert associated with the grand opening of the Ice Rink/Splash Pad project.

B. Hester asked about the food trucks and who coordinates those for the concerts. J. Weasel indicated Christina from the city usually speaks with a couple of them from the food truck event to see if they are available for the Concert in the Parks Event.

J. Macco inquired how the conference went. Eidson noted outside of the brutal cold the conference itself was one of the best she had ever attended. J. Weasel agreed adding the whole city was shut down because of the weather so they were truly confined to the hotel all week.

M. Simpson asked about the numbers for the Daddy Daughter Dance. Simpson asked if the 190 was a typical attendance. J. Weasel noted it was about normal noting we have gone over two hundred but typically fluctuates somewhere between 200-225.. B. Hester asked about a Mother Son Event. S. Liimatta indicated she did an online poll and there seemed to be interest so we are still looking into it.

Recreation Programmer

J. Macco inquired if Little League Baseball has registration opened for 2019. J. Weasel noted it was open. We currently are registering for Girls Softball and Lacrosse is almost full.

M. Simpson asked if the Flag Football Program is open for registration. S. Liimatta noted it will be available first part of May once summer booklets are finalized.

Maintenance Supervisor

B. Hester inquired about the plow repairs. C. Hester noted they were able to get a cutter bar from the Township because they don't use the particular style any longer. This allowed us to get the cutter bar and parts will also be available.

M. Simpson inquired about the Fire Dept. Training held at Bicentennial Park. C. Hester noted the training has been taking place for at least five years. This was the first year they operated it in the larger pond on the east side of the park. The thought was it would serve as a more realistic environment to actual rescues.

Senior Center Coordinator

B. Hester asked if the winter games are still in progress. M. Moen noted the games go on until Feb. 28th. M. Moen also noted there are upwards of 600 participants with 30 plus activities.

Area & Facilities

Did not meet / No report

Budget & Finance Committee

Did not meet / No Report

Senior Committee

Did not meet / No report

Administration & Policy Committee

Did not meet / No report

Old Business

J. Macco made a motion to further table the remaining full time employee contracts, outside of K. Eidson and J. Weasel, Thought is it would pointless until the City, Township, and Schools come to an agreement on their contract related to the Parks & Recreation Dept. Support was provided by M. Simpson.

Vote taken 4 yeas – 0 nays. Motion approved.

New Business

None to Report

Financial Reports

P. Nas made a motion to accept the January 2019 Financial Reports as submitted. J. Macco provided support.

Vote taken 4 yeas – 0 nays. Motion approved.

P. Nas made a motion to accept the January 2019 Check Register as submitted. J. Macco provided support.

Vote taken 4 yeas – 0 nays. Motion approved.

Round Table

J. Weasel noted his appreciation for the community partners. Weasel stated Holy Family is great to work with for the Daddy Daughter Dance, the Schools for helping with facilities for programs, the City with the Concerts in the Parks Event, and the Township with fields and park activities. J. Weasel noted we really do work well together and hopes we will continue to grow that relationship to better the community.

M. Moen made note of the annual benchmark which was accomplished for the Senior Center. She noted we met the bench mark today of a 1000 non-duplicated seniors.

B. Hester made mention we have had exceptional relationship with the City, Township and Schools until just recently. He sincerely hopes we can quickly get back to the business of providing great programs for the community through the help of our partners.

As there was nothing further to discuss J. Macco made a motion to adjourn at ?? . M. Simpson provided support. Vote taken 4 yeas – 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,
Paula Nas PN/CN