



**Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes  
April 21, 2021**

Call to order by at 6:00 pm by John Roach

In Attendance: John Roach, Erin Hoskin, Bryan Simmerly, Erin Hinkel, Duke Schaefer, and Kerry Kemp

Absent: None

**Meeting Minutes:**

No changes were requested for minutes presented for April 21, 2021

**Art Project at Bohlken (Ryan Graff)**

- The project allows for FPHS students to put their own artistic touches on the city
- Two designs were developed and agreed upon for the project
- Planning on painting one of the bike racks and the concrete pad in the batting cage
- Discussed using adhesive paint or moving the concrete pad painting to another bike rack because of a potential slip hazard
- Paint for the project is being donated
- The plan is for this project be done one time, instead of annually by classes
- Approval was given by the Commission

**Bain Park Restroom (Mary Kay Costello)**

- Existing conditions: unusable, difficulty to control water because of the current hill location, cracks in structure's bricks, broken sanitary system, asbestos
- Facility aspects addressed in the grant application: ease of access, secure feeling, and line of sight to the pavilion
- New location decision is greatly dictated by the stormwater runoff at Coe Creek
- Discussed why the current location is not an optimal site for the new facility
- Total budget: \$179,616.50 (half is from the grant and the other half is from a local match)
- Plan on keeping the existing structure for further use
- The Commission took a vote to determine if they were in favor of the project

**Directors Report (Kerry Kemp)**

The financial report was shared which included:

- The revenue is far exceeding expenses
- Summer season is when expenses are probable to increase because of staffing, programming, and the pool
- Seeing an increase in monthly revenue from memberships

Gemini Center and Facility updates were shared which included:

- Noted a decrease in membership because of fewer renewals with memberships expiring at the end of the 3-month extensions
- Increase of monthly visits, new members, and number of classes offered

Programming updates were shared which include:

- Aquatics
  - Increase in monthly revenue from rentals and classes
- Sports Report
  - Spring sports: Soccer and volleyball participation was at a 22% increase from 2019 for spring sports
  - Low registration numbers for baseball and softball
  - Discussing with parents to combine 9 & 10 age group with 11 & 12 age group
  - High registration numbers for T-ball and Coach Pitch
  - Registration is ongoing for Adult Softball, 8 teams registered for coed
  - Increase numbers in travel programs
- Programs
  - Registrations starting to come in for Summer Camp, Safety Town, and Babysitter Training programs
- Rentals and Facility Report
  - March was a good month for gym and multipurpose room rentals
  - Looking at increasing room rental rates
  - June 1<sup>st</sup>: Tentatively plan to rent the community rooms and Bain Cabin again with lower capacity limits (allowed 25% capacity)

Information pertaining to facility updates was shared:

- The Building Maintenance Repair Specialist position was accepted (June 1<sup>st</sup> target start date)
- March had the largest number of building admittance this year (Increased admittance by over 1,200 people since February)
- Looking to increase staff as the Rec opens more from restrictions being lifted

**Board of Education (Ms. Hinkel):**

- April 16<sup>th</sup>: hired Keith Ahearn as the new Superintendent (start August 1<sup>st</sup>)
- May 4<sup>th</sup>: hosting a meet and greet from 6:30 to 7:30 to meet the new Superintendent and new Treasure
- All teachers are vaccinated

**Individual Park Report:**

- No report

**Council Report (Mr. Simmerly):**

- Completed approval and nominations for Diversity Coalition (9-person panel)

**Commissioner's exchange:**

- No report

**Recognition of Visitors:** None

**Adjournment: 7:24 pm**

**Next meeting June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 6:00 pm in the Oak Room**