

MINUTES

BUTLER COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION AUGUST 17, 2021

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:02 pm. There was a quorum present.

MINUTES

The June minutes were reviewed and approved. Motion by Adam Hartwig, second by Pete Geis. Motion carried.

REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVES

Pete Geis-Pete reported Community Days in July was 20% higher than last year event. Approx. 25,000 attendance in 3 days. Pete report hosting the Cranberry Cup for Softball, Pickle ball Tournament hosting 500 teams.

Adam Hartwig- Adam reported hosting the 1st Community Day at Middlesex Township with the Fire Department and Touch-a-truck expansion. Adam reported approximately 2 dozen vendors, bands, DJ, Life Flight and Bingo. Adam was pleased with the attendance of the event.

Lisa Campbell- Lisa reported Am Rotary wrap up on Memorial Park, City of Butler. Butler AM Rotary is focusing on Fundraising for the L.O.D.D shelter and placement rock hopeful for breaking ground in spring/fall 2022. Lisa reported using Diamond Park for Recovery Program and working on 1st Responder event at Pullman Park.

Chris Ziegler- Chris reported receiving a grant to pave Marwood/Cabot area. Chris reported creating a green parking lot and adding picnic tables and benches with the grant money received. Chris reported the ½ Marathon is open with no post-race events with approx. 550 registered. Event is scheduled for Saturday, October 16th.

Michele Burd- Michele reported DCNR Granted CXT Restroom delivery is projected to be delivered by September. Marion is working on preparing the site for delivery. Michele reported working on a grant application for 2022 DCNR.

Dave Zarnick- Dave reported hosting the last movie night tomorrow 8/18 at Preston Park. Foundation of Preston Park will be offering a 5k on 10/24. Dave also reported offering dining under the stars event and working with United Way for week of caring.

Virgil Cousins- Virgil reported working on repairs due to vandalism as of late at the Borough Park.

Dustin Drew- Dustin reported cleaning up recent graffiti at McConnell's Mills and Kildoo waterfall. Dustin reported the Regatta went very well with approx. 28,000 participants over 3 days. Regatta featured the new boat tours and fireworks in the evening. Dustin is preparing for the Heritage Festival at the end of September. Dustin also reported Leadership of Butler County provided a new dock with a handicap accessible parking lot and paved walkway.

THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

The Director reported working on the renovation of the original restroom located at the bottom of Alameda Park. Mr. Welliver reported the painting of the Lions Shelter swing set and new boarder with safety surfacing.

Mr. Welliver reported BC3 baseball field is being maintained by Park Department, with more requests for use.

Mr. Welliver reported the CanAm Event meeting with Erin from Tourism Bureau.

Mr. Welliver reported the Butler Township agreement with Butler County Parks & Recreation to manage the Dek Hockey Rink will come to an end as of December 31, 2021.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Welliver reported no new business to report.

Ms. Berneburg reported Camp Alameda has offered 11 weeks of Camp for 2021. These weeks have been well received and booking up already.

Ms. Berneburg reported offering several new Bike Programs for youth and adults. Bike programs included camps and daily programs.

Ms. Berneburg reported Concert Series, Outdoor Discover, Sand Volleyball and Movies in the park are wrapping up and saw great attendance for this year.

Ms. Berneburg reported the Waterpark is scheduled to close on August 29, 2021 and staffing will be of great difficulty in the last few weeks.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:05pm. Motion by Adam Hartwig, second by Pete Geis. Agreed and motion carried. The next meeting will be on September 21,2021.

Respectively Submitted, Ashley Helmstaedter