

Park Board Minutes

Scheduled Meeting

February 28, 2022

The Parks and Recreation Board met on Monday February 28, 2022 at the Recreation Center at 5:00 p.m.

Agenda Item # 1 Roll Call

Attendees: Michelle Hastings, Marc Betzelberger, George Johnson, Robert Johnson, Tony Cornish, Steve Taylor, Sandy Still, Mary Grace Phillips, Ricky Overcast

Other Attendees: Mike Alsup, Trevor Freitas, Frances Simpson

Agenda Item # 2 Consideration of Additional items to Agenda

- Skate Park

Agenda Item # 3 Consideration of Minutes: November 1, 2021

- Steve Taylor motion to approve
- Sandy Still second the motion
- Unanimous vote by the committee

Agenda Item # 4 Director's Report

Mike reported the following from the directors' report:

- Dog Park approved by Council. Fencing being ordered and should be in mid-March or early April.
- Tennis/ Baseball lights being wired March 2, 2022 with inspection scheduled for March 7th.
- ADA restroom has been ordered to put between playground and Lewis's pavilion. Scheduled deliver for the restroom is mid-June.
- Never Rest is being paved.
- Lockers have been ordered for locker rooms.
- Some of the cardio equipment has been delivered and the remainder should be here the week of March 7th.
- The partition has been ordered for the meeting room

- Mike invited all Park Board members to the playground ribbon cutting on March 24, 2022 @ noon.
- Senior Olympics age 40 and above will be 4/1-4/9/22
- Glow 5K will be 4/23/22
- Volleyball and adult basketball will be starting in April as well
- 2019 biggest year for memberships with 2,304 members' total
2020 with Planet Fitness coming into town we went to 1,893
2021 numbers where 1,428
Mike stated our memberships are coming back up since COVID-19 started.
- Vanderbilt Pediatrics will be applying for a grant next fall for childhood obesity grant and would like to hold classes here to teach kids how to eat healthy.
- Michelle suggested doing a discount package to encourage continuous exercise for these kids.
- Sandy suggested changing the Tennova sign in the swimming area to Vanderbilt.
- Programming just had parents' night out which had 51 kids in attendance.
- July 4th and Daddy/Daughter events coming up soon.
- Homeschool PE is doing good
- Bedford County Baseball registration scheduled for February 5, 8, 12 and 19 and a possible registration February 26th.
- Disc Golf "Shelbyville Freeze" tournament had 100 players
- Youth Basketball ended last week
- Cheer camp and Basketball camp will be coming in June and July
- Swim Lessons will be starting in March and the classes are full with a waiting list
- Water Dance has been great with 30-40 participants
- Park staff have been working on ballfields, Christmas light removal, fountains for ball fields and Never Rest, Planted (12) trees for the commemorative tree program.
- George Johnson would like the birdhouses to be replaced on the trail. He will look into getting some donated through co-op and 4H.

Agenda Item # 5 Old Business

A. Master Plan

Mike reported the first phase of the Master Plan has been added to the 2022-2023 budget for approval. The first phase will include construction documents, storm water, demolition, and corrosion. Mike stated it will take a year before we will be ready to get bids.

B. Park & Recreation Logo

Trevor presented the logo Marc team at work came up with, SPRD interchangeable logo, and a tree branch logo. Sandy stated the branch logo needed TN added to it. Ricky stated he didn't see the need to spend the money for rebranding and shirt cost. Mary Grace stated it doesn't seem like a valuable add. Sandy and Michelle agreed they like the shield, because it represents the city and the legacy of the people before. Michelle stated she agrees the middle of the shield is very busy and thinks we can work on changing that and leave the shield.

Agenda Item # 6 New Business

A. LPRF Grant Consideration

Mike recommended Parks and Recreation signing up for the upcoming LPRF grant and asking for two additional tennis courts and put them beside the current tennis courts. Marc suggested adding roof over the outside basketball courts. Mike stated we usually use Eakin and Thomas for extra inside courts.

Public visitor suggested adding dedicated pickleball courts outside. He feels pickleball is a growing sport and tennis is going away. He suggested having the public \$5 a piece to play to make money. Mike stated we currently have four temporary courts on the tennis courts for the pickleball players. Public visitor also suggested we open the courts Monday-Friday 8a-12pm so that it will not affect our schools having tennis practice. Michelle requested that the committee to do some additional research, talk to current players and post some pickleball questions on social media to the public to see if there is a demand. Michelle motioned to approve, George Johnson second, unanimous approval by committee.

Agenda Item # 7 Additional Items to Agenda

- Sandy stated she had a citizen approach her about metal coming off the skate park and hand railing being loose.

Agenda Item # 8 Adjournment

- Adjournment motioned by: Marc Betzelberger
- Second by: Michelle Hastings