

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

OCTOBER 5, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairperson Jessica Kemp, and held via Zoom. Committee members present were Quinn Baumgartner, Lindsay Buker, Caleb Christen, Aaron Findling, Todd France, Rick Gilts, Will Harbauer, Jessica Kemp, Christopher Patrick, and Tony Wade (10). Dave Shannon was absent (1). Also present were City Administrator, Bridgette Kabat, Law Director, Kate Sandretto, and Operations Manager, Greg Kuhr. Council Representative Deborah Born was unable to log in to the Zoom meeting due to technology issues.

PARK REPORTS

Davis Overlook – Quinn Baumgartner reported:

- Looks good even with the rain that we've had

Rivercrest – Rick Gilts reported:

- Thankful for the work and service to PRAC of the late Tom St. Meyers
- Repaving of the parking lot looks great, and thanks to the Public Service Department
- Stated that the multi-use path could receive the black top treatment next, and wondered when that might be
- Park is clean, and in good order

Riverside – Will Harbauer reported:

- Shades over the benches looks great, neat and tidy
- Looks like there might be running water down there, and Ms. Kabat confirmed that the City is running water down there to efficiently irrigate the lower level
- Saw post on Facebook about the new mower to be used at Riverside
- Asked about the multi-use path being built at Fort Meigs, and Ms. Kabat added that it's considered Phase #4 of the project, and that construction will go from the Maumee-Perrysburg bridge to Fort Meigs Historic Site. Ms. Kabat said that the goal is to go back to Phase #3 of the project afterwards, which is also the most challenging phase geologically
- Asked about memorial updates, and Ms. Kabat stated that the Gold Star Memorial is still in the works, and that it's a non-City Committee that's handling the project and fundraising

Milestone – Will Harbauer reported:

- Looks good

Orleans – Jessica Kemp reported:

- Sent out some pictures of the park, and it looks great
- Kayaks on the Canoe Rack

- Asked if the “little seats with huts” are going to be replaced with the new style, and Mr. Kuhr added that they will be receiving new roofs and fascia work to clean them up, and Ms. Kabat confirmed that there are a few at Woodlands that will be refurbished this year
- Brief discussion about Open Spaces within new subdivisions, and future development

Eisenhower – Lindsay Buker reported:

- Hasn't had as much use as it usually does
- The fence is fixed, the mulch and the equipment look good
- Mr. Kuhr noted the new equipment that was recently installed

Woodlands – Dave Shannon reported via email:

- Nothing to report

Hood – Aaron Findling reported:

- Noted that the Boat Club is coming along nicely
- Grass and lawn areas look well kept
- River trail signs with mileage markers are fantastic
- Sent out several pictures to the group email earlier today

Three Meadows – Tony Wade reported:

- New sidewalks in various places, the shelter house has been updated, and a new bench in the kids play area
- A trip hazard at the small bridge on the north side
- Handicap striping at the shelter house is in front of the sidewalk
- The telephone base poles need to be removed, because the pay phones have been removed
- The large bridge is starting to rot and deteriorate
- Various pole lights are out at the park, at least half of them
- Most of the park signs are leaning or are crooked
- The light pole at the boat house is leaning, and surprised that it hasn't fallen over yet
- There is serious erosion around all of the benches around the big pond
- The park was very busy this summer
- Mr. Kuhr said that some of the items reported are on the list to be fixed

Bicentennial – Todd France reported:

- Emailed some photos that he took to the group
- New concrete pad near one of the play sets, and Mr. Kuhr confirmed that it's for a bench for the play area
- The gravel path that circulates through the park was maintained this summer, and the larger pits have been filled in
- There is one patch of gravel that's thick, and hard to bike through
- One soccer goal is without a net, and another soccer goal is tattered, and Ms. Kabat confirmed that those are PYSA's nets
- There are trees that have been planted

Rotary – Caleb Christen reported:

- Active park
- Looks good, new pavilion is great, and well maintained
- Mr. Kuhr added that there will be new trash cans installed shortly

Municipal –

- Mr. Findling noted that there are three lights that are not working at the pickle ball courts and that they are only partially shining on the courts, and Mr. Kuhr noted that he received an email today, and that a work order has been placed so that Public Service can take care of that

REVIEW OF OCTOBER RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

While reviewing the October Recreation Committee minutes, Ms. Kemp said that she noticed that there was a reference about a previous high school member of PRAC, and Ms. Kabat said that Ms. Born was working on drafting a proclamation to recognize his term on PRAC.

REVIEW THE PROPOSED BYLAWS

Ms. Kemp said that she emailed a draft of the Bylaws out to everyone, and there was a brief discussion about an election of officers for the April 2021 meeting.

REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS FROM MEETING

- Ms. Kemp will email the draft of the Bylaws to Ms. Sandretto, and Ms. Sandretto said that she would have an answer by the November PRAC meeting
- Ms. Kabat and Mr. Kuhr will review action items from Park Reports
- 2021 PRAC meeting dates to the City calendar and email to the members

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Alfaro
Recording Secretary

Next meeting: Monday, November 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.