

RECREATION COMMITTEE

FEBRUARY 10, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Rick Rettig. Committee members present were Jim Matuszak, Rick Rettig and Jonathan Smith. Also present was Service Director Jon Eckel.

PABSC AGREEMENT AND PROFIT SHARING CHECK

Chris Tinney, Laura Oros and Chris Giltz of PABSC were present to provide their revenue sharing report to the committee. Mr. Eckel said that the City received a check in the amount of \$11,042.50 for last year's share of the revenue. Mr. Tinney said their numbers are down for this year and he feels this may be attributed to the fact that they can't send flyers home through the school. The Committee reviewed the agreement with PABSC. Mr. Eckel noted the changes to the agreement which include the length of the agreement and sections J and K which were added to #2. The agreement will be for two years but can be terminated early if something unsatisfactory occurs. Section J states that PABSC will continue to work with Perrysburg Schools on a reciprocal agreement for field use and Section K states that the field schedule will be on PABSC's website. Mr. Rettig said that the new leadership in PABSC has been a breath of fresh air and the changes in the last year have been dramatic and positive. The Committee agreed 2-0 to recommend approval of the agreement with PABSC. Mr. Matuszak abstained.

PYSA AGREEMENT

Mr. Eckel stated that the PYSA agreement has no changes from last year. He said he met with Kim Mills and they are both very comfortable with the agreement. He said that he will be meeting with representatives from PSC and an agreement with them will be prepared after that meeting. Mr. Matuszak asked if there is a reason Rivercrest Park is listed in the first paragraph. Mr. Eckel said that they mainly use the soccer fields at Rivercrest. He added that the City has already received PYSA's certificate of insurance. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of the agreement with PYSA.

PRESENTATION BY JIM HAGEN

Jim Hagen, Avenue Road, suggested that in celebration of the City's bicentennial that an arboretum be created at Bicentennial Park with the planting of 200 trees. Mr. Hagen proposed that donations be solicited to pay for the trees. He cited information regarding the benefits of trees including production of oxygen and removal of carbon dioxide. Mr. Rettig thanked Mr. Hagen for his presentation. Mr. Smith asked what the City's plans are for Bicentennial Park. Mr. Eckel stated that there is money in the budget to tile the field and get grass planted. He said that the City is short on field space and they would like to create a couple of fields but limit their use to practice fields. Mr. Eckel said that the Street Tree Commission has discussed the idea of planting 200 trees and he thinks it is a good idea, but he would rather see them planted elsewhere, perhaps at Davis Overlook since that area will be kept as a prairie and they would not have to trim around the trees. Mr.

Eckel added that they are creating an arboretum on the grounds of the Public Service building and installing approved street trees so residents can come out and see what types of trees are acceptable to be planted in the right of way.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Mr. Rettig said he has some questions about the budget amendment but he will address his questions to Ms. Kabat.

OTHER BUSINESS

Phil Gutkoski, Pinewood Court, was present to thank the City for letting the rugby team use open space at Orleans and Rotary Parks. He said they have 57 kids on the team and this year they are starting a girls' team which has 19 members. Mr. Gutkoski said they carry liability insurance and have the City listed as an additional insured. Mr. Eckel said that he will get in touch with Mr. Gutkoski so they can get an agreement approved regarding field use.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Rettig, Chairman
Recreation Committee

Next regular meeting: Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.