

Parks & Recreation Minutes  
March 6, 2023

Call to Order: 6:40 P.M.

Attendance: Annetta Macedonia, Sue Smith, Samantha Torres, Melissa Tervis, Kellie Green

Approval of Minutes from December 2022:

Motion: Sue Smith

Second: Kellie Green

Correspondence:

1. Barbara Sills has sent in her resignation from the Park & Recreation Commission. She is moving to Colorado to spend more time with her children and grandchildren.
2. Linda Goodman contacted Annetta about National Park and Recreation Day, May 20th, 2023. Linda is going to announce this at a Council meeting as a day the Village will honor and requested we as a Commission discuss how to participate and bring the community to our park.  
Initial conversation from the Commission resulted in the following ideas:
  - A. Creating a flyer to be posted at various businesses in the Village.
  - B. Posting the information on the Park & Rec. website
  - C. Setting up cornhole, basketball, pickleball
  - D. Having the Rec. Center open for people to see the facility
  - E. Possibly between the hours of 1:00 P.M. and 3:00 P.M.
  - F. Possibly having hotdogs, chips and water
  - G. Having small prizes such as jumprobes, basketballs, hula hoops
3. Samantha discussed possible grants available for the Commission to apply for money for our parks.
4. Mayor Peterson emailed Annetta about using the Recreation Center again this summer for free lunches for the children in our community. She mentioned creating fresh meals in lieu of getting food from the Salvation Army.

Call to Public: The Recreation Center has three rentals on the calendar:

3/13 for a meeting

5/27 for a graduation party

6/3 for a birthday party

Tobi used the Recreation Center and presented some good questions related to rentals, what to do with the trash bags after trash is cleaned up, is there easy access to the cleaning supplies and posting a lock-up list; meaning what to do when you leave the property.

Unfinished Business:

**2023 Budget:** One skate ramp and the sidewalk can be completed: Aprox. \$19,000 remaining in the budget.

**Friends of Our Parks:** Possible 5 to 7 members, residents of the Village, getting the word out to those interested in participating, Samantha will post a message on Facebook to get a feel from the community. A mission statement was created:

“ A dedicated team of individuals that actively support the mission of the Parks & Recreation Commission, through fundraising, volunteerism, advocacy and promotion.”

**Skate Park Status:** The builder is currently in California, upon return, Annetta and Tobi will meet with him; hoping the ramp can be installed for National Park Day.

**Village Employee Facilities Use:** Employees may use the Recreation Center once each year with the fee waived

Council Presentation: Kellie Green will attend the March 2023 Council meeting to give a Parks and Recreation update.

New Business:

**Rec. Center Events:** Sue Smith has organized the first pickleball seminar on April 6th; with the purpose of teaching and encouraging people to take up the sport and learn to play the game.


**Fund Raising Events and Activities:** Melissa will complete a form for the Park Beautification Project,, listing positive reasons for having trees in the park and encouraging the community to donate money for a tree or park bench. The sponsor will have a plaque placed in the park with their tree or bench.

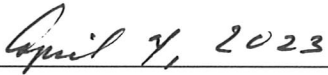
**Licking County Park District:** set up a meeting and invite the speaker to the April meeting for a give-and-take conversation on ideas to enhance our park facilities.

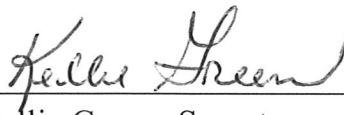
Meeting Adjournment: 8:00 P.M.

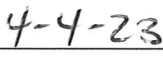
Motion: Sue Smith      Second: Melissa Tervis

Next Meeting: April 4, 2023, 6:30 P.M. at Recreation Center

  
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Annetta Macedonia: Chairperson

  
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Kellie Green: Secretary

  
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