



CITY OF FISHERS – PAC MINUTES

BOARD OR COMMISSION: Parks Advisory Committee
DATE: Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 6:00 PM
SCHEDULE: Regular Meeting
LOCATION: Fishers Pavilion Conference Room

Attendance

PAC Members

- PRESENT: Cindy Davis, Brian Catt, Kurt Kluempers, Jessica Dickinson
- ABSENT: Walter Sharp

Staff

- Sarah Sandquist, Andrea Babb

Others Present-See attachment

- 1. Meeting Called to Order with the Pledge of Allegiance AT 6:02 pm**
- 2. Approval of the January 2019 PAC Meeting minutes.**
 - Kurt Kluempers motioned to approve the January 2019 PAC Meeting minutes. Brian Catt motioned to approve. Brian Catt second the motion. Minutes passed unanimously.
- 3. Call to the Public (for items not on the agenda)**
- 4. Parks and Recreation Monthly Report – Sarah Sandquist, Director**

Administrative

- Congratulations to Rebekah Thomas on her promotion to Special Events Manager. Back filling of her coordinator position will be posted soon. We plan to contract with Marybeth Smith and Associates to assist in the office work.
- Dan Domsic, Outreach and Volunteer Manager has taken a new position and will be posting his position soon.

- Lease negotiations are underway for Parks to take over the basement of our office building. The additional space includes 3 offices and a larger conference space. We are hoping to move in June.
- A new agreement was signed and approved at Board of Works for Agripark operations. Brandywine Creek Farms will farm the land and manage livestock. Fishers Parks will develop curriculum, lead tours, and host events on site. The park will open to the public in the Spring of 2020. We will be filling positions to assist with maintaining and programming that space eventually.

Programs/Events

- 2019 Summer Concert Lineup is live and we have a new website! www.npdamp.com
- Vertical Horizon and Tonic are booked for Spark!Fishers Friday night show. (public announcement coming April 8)
- Our first ticketed show of the season will be Jade Bird and Ruston Kelly on August 9. (public announcement coming soon)
- Fishers Farmers Market kicks off May 4. We are excited to be back at the AMP full time this summer. We will now be accepting SNAP benefits, mainly the farm and produce vendors. Also, no more plastic bags at the Market.
- After many meetings, we have decided to seize programming small programs, but partnering potentially with others who can provide that service to the community.

New initiatives/Community Engagement

- We have been meeting with community groups including HEPL Library, Fishers Arts Council, Fishers Music Works to see how we can partner on programming and events.
- Fishers Arts and Culture Commission has been created and meets every other month. The commission will update the Arts and Culture Master plan, review public art requests, and oversight of Cultural District Designation
- Park Watch meeting was held for the public on Tuesday, April 9 at City Hall. This is a new initiative similar to a neighborhood watch, as a presence in the parks to try and deter crime. Those involved will contact Hamilton County Dispatch for crime reporting. Kurt Kluempers is concerned with the potential for the general public calling the police and/or using the CrimeWatch app for every little thing, or worse intervening on their own and putting themselves in danger.

5. SPORTS – Scott Spillman

- Saturday all fields will be online for use, with the exception of New Britton.
- Fall registration begins May 1.
- Scholarships available for free and reduced.

- Registration is up to 96% online with Blue Sombraro. Kurt Kluempers asked about volunteer registration via Blue Sombraro. Kim Sugg stated that it has been successful.
- Fall will have a new league – girls field hockey. Board and Scott Spillman to manage. Rugby and other divisions to come.
- Softball opening day at Olio Fields April 13th.
- Spring registration numbers are at 4080 registrations that are down from last year.
- Worked with Ed Gephardt and Norm Tate to create an EAP for safety during sporting events to manage weather related emergencies. They have also employed the city's weather reporting service to centralize weather management.

6. Discussion and Information

- **Nickel Plate Trail Draft Master Plan**
 - Sarah Sandquist reviewed the Nickel Plate Trail Draft Master Plan. Kurt Kluempers asked to see the map. Discussion between PAC and Sarah Sandquist with existing plans and potential plans.
 - This was brought before City Council in February and advisement with the NBBJ.

7. Discussion and Action – April Meeting

- PAC Roles

8. Discussion: Identify Items for Future Agendas

9. Adjournment

- Cindy Davis motioned to adjourn. Kurt Kluempers second the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Next Meeting: May 1, 2019 at 6:00 PM - **TENTATIVE**

Location: Fishers Pavilion Conference Room – 10 Municipal Drive, Fishers

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Attachment

Attendees:

- Scott Spillman – SPORTS
- Kim Sugg - SPORTS