

BEECH GROVE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Minutes for meeting on Wednesday, September 8, 2021—7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order; Pledge of Allegiance; and Roll Call
 - a. Members Present: Joe Grant, Tara Wolf, Ben Easley, Jeff Woehler, John Dorsey, Jannis King
 - b. Also present: Director Hannan; HPCC Coordinator Angel McKenna
2. Review Past Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion by Joe Grant; second by Jeff Woehler. Unanimous approval.
3. Claims Review
 - a. Appropriations details report available via a public records request to the Clerk-Treasurer.
4. BG Parks Director's Report:
 - a. Grass trimming has picked up again after the rain. One part-timer has picked up a new job elsewhere, but still comes back for three 12-hour shifts. This, with the addition of an additional part-timer, has been adequate to keep up with the grass.
 - b. The dog park gate has been out of commission for a while; a new magnet has been ordered.
 - c. Angel is up for accepting the responsibility of learning the process of accepting new members to the dog park; this would allow the Parks Department to retain all of the revenue that the park generates, which can be kept in a non-reverting fund.
5. HPCC Update
 - a. New employee Kelly has been doing really well, particularly with the Buzz Club program. This program continues to have a wait list; limited staffing makes this difficult.
 - b. Angel is also working toward a scholarship fund allowing kids to attend Buzz Club regardless of financial situation. She is working on a donation letter asking folks to contribute.
 - c. Dinner tonight went well with more than 70 attendees.
 - d. Passed the Health Department's inspection, though with some pointers of what to improve. This precipitated HPCC being gifted from a donor a freezer that can become a refrigerator. Angel will be certified as a food handler, another requirement.
 - e. It is uncertain that the budget as proposed will be able to cover all operations, specifically the staff for the food pantry programming. Angel is looking out for grants which may cover this, though grants of this variety seem to be scarce.
6. Old & New Business
 - a. While Angel was confused by what appeared to be a last-minute change to the budget where she is now only able to hire 1 instead of 2 people, the budget as proposed does indeed increase funding the Parks Department for the 2022 budget year. Tara will present this budget at the upcoming workshop on September 21. Angel and Tom are generally pleased with the increases they're seeing for the new year.
 - b. Discussed various rules for the upcoming Franciscan Trail; based these off the Monon Trail's stated rules. Considered the stated addition of the prohibition of alcohol. Tara will send rule suggestions to the group for review.

- c. No stated price from Holy Name on the 16th/Detroit property. Will look into what an agreement would be either purchasing the property or establishing an agreement where we develop the site while they retain ownership.
 - d. With parking lot under construction, the HPCC parking lot is seeing more traffic, filling up.
 - e. Still only three takers for the foundation: Mike Pence, John Ciriello, and Mikala Wade. We need two more, including possibly a Parks Board member.
 - f. Will talk about an updated security system for HPCC at the October meeting.
 - g. RDC has projects coming up that may impact us, including the amphitheater.
 - h. Little League will have their bills waived for trash, sewer, etc.
7. Round Table
- a. Joe moved to refund \$75 via Angel to a renter who was displeased with the cleanliness of a room. John seconded. Unanimous approval.
8. Adjournment
- a. Motion by Joe Grant; second by John Dorsey. Adjourned at 8:02pm.
 - b. Next meeting will be October 13, 2021 at 7pm at HPCC. Dinner is at 6pm if anyone is interested.