

MASSILLON RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 19, 2023

The Massillon Recreation Board met in regular session on July 19, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Board Members:

Present: Alex Wood, Dave Harding, Ted Schartiger, Moe Rickett

Absent: Mark Hickey

Others Present: None

Staff Members:

Present: Steve Pedro, Carol Leonard, Tiana Spencer, Caroline Ferrel, Carrie Lowry, Joe Pape

Acceptance of July 19, 2023 Meeting Agenda:

23-074 *Mr.* Wood moved; seconded by Mr. Schartiger to approve the July 19, 2023 meeting agenda. Motion carried 4-0 by roll call vote.

June 21, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes:

23-075 Mr. Schartiger moved; seconded by Mr. Wood to approve the June 21, 2023 Regular meeting minutes. Motion carried 4-0 by roll call vote.

Public Comments:

None

Expense Reports:

23-076 Mr. Rickett moved; seconded by Mr. Schartiger to approve the June 2023 Parks and Recreation Expense report totaling \$226,763.15. Motion carried 4-0 by roll call vote.

23-077 Mr. Wood moved; seconded by Mr. Schartiger to approve the June 2023 Legends Golf Course Expense report totaling \$198,300.15. Motion carried 4-0 by roll call vote.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. New Hires (Attachment)

23-078 *Mr.* Schartiger moved; seconded by Mr. Rickett to approve the new hires. Motion carried 4-0 by roll call vote.

Mr. Harding: Steve anything?

Steve Pedro: It's been a successful month in hiring. Eight people total. Parks (2), maintenance (1), rec center (1), golf course (3)

2. Accept \$5,005.00 donation for Lawndale Park improvements

23-079 Mr. Schartiger moved; seconded by Mr. Wood to accept \$5,005.00 donation for Lawndale Park improvements. Motion carried 4-0 by roll call vote.

Mr. Harding: Steve

Steve Pedro: This is the on-going project we started in the spring. This family has been wonderful in getting donations in memory of their son. We've done some things already. We ordered a new gaga pit, an octagon for kids to play in and it has legs on it so we can move it any time we want. When they mow, they don't have to weed around it, things like that for maintenance. We did the basketball courts, all the playgrounds/swings have new mulch. Our next step will be to have a wall erected and that should be done hopefully within the next month. The contractor said he would probably do it on a weekend. He is going to build an 8" x 10' wall with a mural. They have an artist that is going to paint a mural on it in Jake Brown's memory. That wall is going to be used sort of like a goal for soccer players and lacrosse, and they can hit stuff up against it. Hopefully they won't climb it. The builder is putting a bull nose top on it so it is rounded. Kids are going to be kids but at least this will make it not as easy to climb it. Throughout all the parks, we need to make them accessible so we are going to talk about adding sidewalks for next year to our playgrounds and areas in our parks as well.

Mr. Rickett: Do we have any extra funds to give to those people?

Steve Pedro: We've used Parks and Rec funds already. That was the agreement. They asked us. They are raising about \$20,000, they asked us for \$10,000. We've done the basketball courts, put up new hoops, and other improvements. We are probably going to match what they do anyway, through Parks and Rec.

BOARD REPORTS:

Board Reports were submitted by:

1. Parks: Joe Pape

2. The Legends – Carrie Lowry

3. Senior Center – Caroline Ferrell

4. Recreation – Tiana Spencer

5. Director's Report: Steve Pedro

The Massillon Rec Board went into Executive Session at 5:23 pm. The Massillon Rec Board came out of Executive Session at 5:52 pm.

Adjournment

23-082 Mr. Rickett moved; seconded by Mr. Wood to adjourn the Recreation Board Meeting. Motion carried 4-0 by roll call vote.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:52 pm. The next scheduled regular meeting will be on Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at 5:00 pm at the Massillon Recreation Center.

Transcribed By: Carol Leonard, Office Manager