



**MASSILLON RECREATION BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
March 20, 2024**

The Massillon Recreation Board met in regular session on March 20, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Board Members:

Present: Mark Hickey, Moe Rickett, Ted Schartiger, Alex Wood, Dee Spencer

Others Present: Julie Harwig-Smith

Staff Members:

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

Acceptance of March 20, 2024 Meeting Agenda:

24-026 Mr. Schartiger moved; seconded by Mr. Wood to approve the March 20, 2024 meeting agenda. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

February 21, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes:

24-027 Mr. Hickey moved; seconded by Mr. Schartiger to approve the February 21, 2024 Regular meeting minutes. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

Public Comments:

Expense Reports:

24-028 Mr. Schartiger moved; seconded by Mr. Wood to approve the February 2024 Parks and Recreation Expense report totaling \$172,529.60. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

24-029 Mr. Schartiger moved; seconded by Mr. Hickey to approve the February 2024 Legends Golf Course Expense report totaling \$103,878.71. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. New Hires (Attachment)

24-030 Mr. Hickey moved; seconded by Mr. Schartiger to approve the new hires. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

Steve Pedro: I do want to tell you if you look down on the list where it says 511316, that one and below are re-hires. I had a lapse in brain function and had her put every one on there. The ones below that number are coming back. The ones on the top are new.

Mr. Hickey: For Ed's sake, you mean you couldn't find all Massillon people? (laughter)

Steve Pedro: I tried. We did alright. We are about half and half I think, maybe a little more than half.

Mr. Wood: Does this bring you up to snuff?

Steve Pedro: We are getting there with the golf course. We are still trying to get some people in Parks and Recreation as well.

Mr. Wood: Can you talk in terms of what the increases are going to be

Steve Pedro: We increased the rates across the board. Some of them will start at these numbers but that doesn't mean they are going to stay at those numbers. We have more flexibility now with what we approved back in November of last year. They will be making more money as long as they stay with us.

Mr. Wood: What is the increase?

Steve Pedro: It varies with each person depending on their position. I don't want to speak for you Carrie.

Carrie Lowry: It is yearly

Mr. Wood: It's annual?

Steve Pedro: Yes. That's not to say if someone says, we want to give this person a raise, they are doing a great job, we can do that. We have that flexibility now.

Mr. Wood: Okay. Thank you.

2. Field Rental requests (Attachment)

24-031 Mr. Hickey moved; seconded by Mr. Schartiger to approve the field rental requests. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

3. Purchase new mower for Parks, not to exceed \$17,000 (Attachment)

24-032 Mr. Hickey moved; seconded by Mr. Wood to approve the purchase of a new mower for Parks, not to exceed \$17,000. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

Steve Pedro: We received another quote, for your records. This will replace a mower. Joe, which one are we replacing?

Joe Pape: The old Toro. It's an old golf course mower. It is probably about 30 years old

Steve Pedro: It's over 20 years old. We got everything out of it that we could and then some

Mr. Wood: Is it a stand behind, Joe?

Joe Pape: It's a rider

Mr. Wood: Oh, it's a rider?

Joe Pape: Our guys are too old to stand (laughter)

Steve Pedro: They are all riders. They are either riding or the young guys are weed eating

Mr. Rickett: What's the difference in these Joe?

Joe Pape: There is not a lot of difference. We do have one that we bought a couple years ago and it works out really well. I think that is the one we are going to try to get because it's less maintenance. We have different guys running it. It works better so they don't have to do much maintenance on it. They are all about the same. Little differences are seat comfort and (inaudible). The (inaudible) is the cheapest one.

Steve Pedro: Not the cheapest. The most economical one.

Joe Pape: We have one of those now. We use that one at the Reservoir. It's \$15,251.20.

Mr. Wood: Joe, you're going to love this. Is it a 60"?

Joe Pape: 60", correct

Mr. Wood: You'll love this. Bair's (inaudible) Toro

Joe Pape: It's not as big as this one. There are different 60's

Mr. Wood: It's got a Kawasaki engine on it

Joe Pape: I was looking today at some of them. This is comparable to the other ones, the Toro one that you have, the motor size and it's built a little better. It's heavier, more commercial.

Mr. Wood: I got you. I just wanted to throw that out there to you

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**

Adjournment

24-033 *Mr. Hickey moved; seconded by Mr. Schartiger to adjourn the Recreation Board Meeting. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote.*

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:29 pm. The next scheduled regular meeting will be on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at 5:00 pm at the Massillon Recreation Center.

Transcribed By: *Carol Leonard, Office Manager*