

**CANTON PARK COMMISSION  
BOARD MINUTES  
MONTHLY MEETING  
April 26th, 2022  
4:30pm**

A meeting for the Canton Park Commission was held in person at the Canton Garden Center (1615 Stadium Park Dr. NW, Canton, OH 44718) on Tuesday, April 26, 2022. A call to order at 4:30pm by President JR Rinaldi.

- Roll Call:** President Rinaldi called the meeting to order at 4:30pm. The following board members responded to roll call: JR Rinaldi, Maureen Austin and Joe Gerzina. Also present was Doug Foltz, Dan Mickey Ryan, John Stone, Tony Richards, Amanda Kotlar and Amie Biltz.
- Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda for 4/26/2022 by President Rinaldi, seconded by Vice President Austin, Ayes.... President Rinaldi, Vice President Austin and Member Gerzina. Motion carried.
- Minutes:** Motion to approve minutes for 3/22/2022 with the correction to Member Gerzina second motion in minute approval section, by member President Rinaldi seconded by Vice President Austin, Ayes.... President Rinaldi, Vice President Austin and Member Gerzina. Motion carried.
- Public Speak:** John Stone spoke about the Infinite Peace Garden at Nimisilla Park and how he appreciates Canton Parks and Recreation on providing Sunflower seed bags to spread Nimisilla sunflower seeds.
- Tony from Eric Snow YMCA spoke briefly on Y on the Fly Initiative and how the YMCA would like to use some of the City Parks for programing.
- Financial:** Commissioners reviewed Accounts Payable invoice reports, Parks Department Fund 2530 Report by department, J. Babe Stearn Programming & Expense Report and J. Babe Stearn Contract Approval 2022. President Rinaldi made a motion to approve reports seconded by Member Gerzina, Ayes.... President Rinaldi, Vice President Austin and Member Gerzina. Motion carried.
- Events:** President Rinaldi motion to approve the Latter Rain Rally, Greater Bethel Church Out Reach, and the Hall of Fame First Play request seconded by Vice President Austin, Ayes.... President Rinaldi, Vice President Austin and Member Gerzina. Motion carried.
- Old Business:**
- a. Friends of the Parks: Member Gerzina briefly updated the board, more to come in May.
  - b. Capital Improvements/Budget 2022 was discussed by Commissioners. More to come in May.
  - c. Stadium, Monument, Waterworks, & City Field Park Land Improvement Plan and Strategy: More to come in May.
- New Business:**
- a. Babe Stearn Meeting- More to be discussed at the May 11<sup>th</sup> Mayor Youth Commission at City Hall.
  - b. Motion to pass new rate structure for shelters, indoor facilities and deposits to start July 1, 2022 and a \$75.00 Weis concession fee by President Rinaldi, seconded by Vice President Austin. Ayes.... President Rinaldi, Vice President Austin and Member Gerzina.
  - c. Motion to grant YMCA access to the Parks for camp programs on Tuesdays and Thursdays at no charge unless a shelter is needed. Canton Parks and Recreation to listed as a sponsor, by member President Rinaldi, seconded by Vice President Austin. Ayes.... President Rinaldi, Vice President Austin and Member Gerzina. Motion carried. Member Gerzina left the meeting.
  - d. President Rinaldi motion to approve Willig Field Complex Improvements through ARP Funds, seconded by Vice President Austin, Ayes.... President Rinaldi and Vice President Austin. Motion carried.
- Staff Reports:**
- a. Recreation Superintendent gave a brief report on programs and new activities going on at the SECC.
  - b. Parks and Recreation Director gave an update on park crew and how projects are coming along.

**Adjournment:** At 5:36 pm motion to adjourn was made by President Rinaldi, seconded by Vice President Austin. Ayes....  
President Rinaldi and Vice President Austin. Motion carried.

A.R. Rinaldi

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President



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Secretary