

CANTON PARK COMMISSION

BOARD MINUTES

MONTHLY MEETING

November 22, 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, November 22, 2022. A call to order at 4:30pm by Vice President Austin.

Roll Call: President Rinaldi was absent. Vice President Austin called the meeting to order at 4:30pm. The following board members responded to roll call: Vice President Austin, and Member Gerzina. Also present was Doug Foltz, Dan Gravila, Joe Rodocker, Erin Thompson, Tatyanna Myrie, John Stone, Marvin McConnell. John Falconer, and Amie Biltz.

Agenda: Motion to approve agenda for the date of 11/22/2022 by Member Joe Gerzina, seconded by Vice President Austin, Ayes.... Member Gerzina, and Vice President Austin. Motion carried.

Minutes: a. Motion to approve minutes for the date 10/25/2022, by Member Gerzina, seconded by Vice President Austin, Ayes.... Vice President Austin, and Member Gerzina. Motion carried.

Public Speak: a. John Falconer spoke about Bike Pump Track and Trails. A pump track trail is a circular loop consisting of rollers and berms, that when ridden correctly requires no pedaling. Falconer explained Pump Track and trails will be suitable for all ages and skill levels. Falconer spoke explained how Pump Track Trails would benefit not only benefit Canton City Residents but local surrounding local businesses as well.

b. Marvin Connell spoke about Shuffleboard at Weis Park that is open to the public. Shuffleboard sessions will be held Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 5:00pm-8:00pm at Weis Park. Shuffleboard sessions will be held May through September.

c. John Stone spoke about the Inflinite Peace Garden at Nimisilla Park and how he appreciates Canton Parks and Recreation on providing Sunflower seed bags to spread Nimisilla sunflower seeds around the world.

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. Motion to approve reports, by Member Gerzina, seconded by Vice President Austin, Ayes.... Member Gerzina, and Vice President Austin. Motion carried.

Events: Holiday Hayrides will be held, Friday, Decemeber 9th 2022 and Friday, December 16th, 2022. Letters to Santa can be dropped off at the Canton Garden Center from Thursday, November 17th, 2022 to Friday, December 16th, 2022. Motion to approve the Frosty Frolic Event on December 10th, 2022 by Member Gerzina, seconded by Vice President Austin, Ayes.... Member Gerzina, and Vice President Austin. Motion carried.

Old Business: a. Friends of the Parks: December 14th, 2022 the first meeting will be held at the Chambers. Member Gerzina discussed the committees that the organization holds. Member Gerzina spoke about the Friends of the Park's Mission Statement. Their Mission statement focuses on promoting the parks for usage, volunteerism, and raising funds to support programs and projects. Member Gerzina motioned to adopt Friends of the Park, seconded by Vice President Austin, Ayes.... Member Gerzina, and Vice President Austin.

b. Capital Improvements/Budget 2023 will be discussed in the Board meeting that will be held Tuesday, December 27th, 2022. Doug Foltz discussed the potentiality of purchasing larger vehicles for Canton Parks and Recreation. Foltz discussed that he is working towards getting the Canton Parks and Recreation logo on the Canton Parks and Recreation vehicles.

c. Stadium, Monument, Waterworks, & City Field Park Land Improvement Plan and Strategy: Reviewing plans and marking priorities. More to come at a later date.

New Business: None.

Staff Reports: Parks Superintendent gave an update on projects. Superintendent Rodocker discussed the outcomes of NFL flag football, Adult Softball League, and Adult Volleyball Leagues. Superintendent Rodocker discussed upcoming Baseball and Softball weekend tournaments, basketball registration, and communities request for a Men's Basketball league. Superintendent Rodocker discussed future renovations at the Edward "Peel" Coleman Community Center. Superintendent Rodocker discussed Programming such as afterschool homework help for children and movie nights that will be held every third Thursday of each month. He also discussed the implementation of "Sister-Girl Talk" which will be held every Tuesday and Thursday starting after Thanksgiving. Sister Girl Talk will allow young girls will be able to talk to Senior girls. Young girls will be provided mentorship. Rodocker discussed upcoming events and passed events.

Parks Superintendent was not present. Director Foltz gave a brief update on park projects and plans.

Adjournment: At 5:28 pm motion to adjourn was by Member Gerzina, seconded by Vice President Austin, Ayes.... Member Gerzina, and Vice President Austin. Meeting Adjourned.

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President



Secretary