

(These minutes are not approved until the next Commission meeting.)

City of West Branch Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting
6:30p.m. Thursday, February 10, 2022

Director Russell opened the meeting at 6:40pm. Roll as called with Commission Members Angie Miller(zoom), Kristin Rood, Brian Pierce(zoom), and Ellyson were present. Commissioners Tom Burger, Shane Staker and Kim Pallischeck-Hanna were absent. Parks & Recreation Director Melissa Russell was present.

Approve agenda/consent agenda/Move to action.

Approve agenda for the February 20, 2022, Park and Recreation Commission Meeting.

Motion Miller, second by Pierce to approve agenda. Motion passed by voice vote.

Approve minutes from the December 9, 2021, Park and Recreation Commission Meeting.

Motion by Miller and second by Pierce to approve minutes from December 9,2021, Commission meeting. Motion passed by voice vote.

Communication/Open Forum.

None

Public Hearing/Non-Consent Agenda

Approve Tom Burger as Chairperson for the Parks and Recreation Commission

Miller nominated Tom Burger as Chairperson. Second by Ellyson. Unanimous vote by Miller, Pierce, Rood, and Ellyson.

Approve Shane Staker as Vice-Chairperson for the Parks and Recreation Commission

Miller nominated Tom Burger as Vice-Chairperson. Second by Ellyson. Unanimous vote by Miller, Pierce, Rood, and Ellyson.

Approve Melissa Russell as Secretary for the Parks and Recreation Commission

Miller nominated Melissa Russell as Secretary for the Parks and Recreation Commission. Second by Ellyson. Unanimous vote by Miller, Pierce, Rood, and Ellyson.

Approve the 2022 meeting schedule of the Parks and Recreation Commission

Motion by Ellyson, second by Rood to approve the 2022 meeting schedule. Unanimous vote by Miller, Pierce, Rood, and Ellyson.

**PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
2022 Regular Meeting Schedule**

Thursday January 13, 2022-6:30pm
Thursday February 10, 2022-6:30pm
Thursday March 10, 2022-6:30pm
Thursday April 14, 2022-6:30pm
Thursday May 12, 2022-6:30pm
Thursday June 16, 2022-6:30pm (rescheduled from June 9)
Thursday July 14, 2022-6:30pm
Thursday August 11, 2022-6:30pm
Thursday September 8, 2022-6:30pm
Thursday October 13, 2022-6:30pm
Thursday November 10, 2022-6:30pm
Thursday December 8, 2022-6:30pm

Winter Program Updates

3rd/4th grade basketball wrapped up. The season went well. Next year we will start sooner with gym time requests. Rec/library on the Go is still going well. In January we are switching to one day a week to increase efficiency. Tot time still has good numbers. Zumba will wrap up in March. Next year we hope to add more fitness programs. Old Man's League will be cut from the FY23 budget unless it can self fund.

New Business

Russell discussed sponsorships for programs such as baseball. Rood suggested using the business name both on the back of the shirt and the team name. Russell will continue to work on a sponsorship program.

Russell discussed the Easter Egg Hunt. She suggested Saturday April 9 due to various conflicts. The format will be similar to last year with registration requirements. Also the candy would be in bags not in the eggs like the in 2021. All commission members agreed this was a good idea. The time frame for the event will be shortened, however more people will be allowed on the field.

Russell informed the commission that registrations have been opened for spring and summer programs. Summer camp registrations will open when summer staff has been secured.

Upcoming Commission Meetings

The next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting will be Thursday March 10, 2022.

Adjourn

Motion by Miller and second by Pierce to adjourn the meeting. All approved with voice vote.