



CITY OF BURTON

BURTON PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

AUGUST 10, 2016

MINUTES

Council Chambers

Regular Meeting

5:30 PM

**4303 S. CENTER ROAD
BURTON, MI 48519**

This meeting was opened by Chairman James Craig at 5:30 PM.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS LED BY ANGELA JACKSON

C. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Sandra Talbot	Co-Chairman	Present	
Robert Spose	Commissioner	Present	
James Craig	Chairman	Present	
Debra Dunsmore	Commissioner	Excused	
Steven Hatfield	Councilman	Present	
Robert Wilson	Commissioner	Present	
Sherry Adams	Commissioner	Excused	
Angela Jackson	Commissioner	Present	

D. STAFF PRESENT

B. Bigsby, Parks & Recreation Director
M. Kimball, Records Tech

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Parks & Recreation Commission - Regular Meeting - Jul 13, 2016 5:30 PM

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robert Wilson, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Robert Spose, Commissioner
AYES:	Talbot, Spose, Craig, Hatfield, Wilson, Jackson
EXCUSED:	Dunsmore, Adams

2. Parks & Recreation Commission - Trick or Treat Trail - Jul 19, 2016 4:30 PM

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robert Wilson, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Robert Spose, Commissioner
AYES:	Talbot, Spose, Craig, Hatfield, Wilson, Jackson
EXCUSED:	Dunsmore, Adams

3. Veterans Honor Run Committee - Regular - Jul 20, 2016 5:30 PM

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robert Wilson, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Robert Spose, Commissioner
AYES:	Talbot, Spose, Craig, Hatfield, Wilson, Jackson
EXCUSED:	Dunsmore, Adams

F. PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

1. Trick or Treat Trail Update

Mr. Craig stated we were thinking of moving the Trick or Treat Trail event from Kelly Lake to Bentley School if possible. There is not adequate parking at Kelly Lake to hold this event.

Mr. Spose said I would like to go to Bentley School and look at their area to see if it will work out. I would like to get the layout of the school. We would also like to have a movie at the school after the event.

Bentley board member and Bentley representative and commissioner for Parks & Recreation Angela Jackson said we would have to find out how much property is Bentley's for us to use. We would have adequate parking. I have heard a lot of positive feedback from people and students. We are all very excited to be involved in this. I will try to recruit as many volunteers from Bentley as possible.

Mr. Arrington stated once our social media position is filled, we will be able to help get the word out about the Park & Recreation events.

Mr. Arrington asked if there was an accident of any kind at the event, would that be covered under the city's insurance.

Mrs. Bigsby stated it is covered under the city's insurance.

Mr. Craig asked Mr. Arrington, would it be alright to have church groups and politicians passing out candy, signs and brochures at the event. We can have porta potties brought in.

Mr. Arrington said I will find out if there are any restrictions on school property. We may be able to rope off sections of the school so that the restrooms could be used.

2. Burton Race Series Update

Mr. Craig stated last year for the Veteran's Honor Run we had over 400 participants. This year we are expecting to have 400 to 500. The registration is now up on the website and so far we have 24 participants. We have about 300 people that have participated in three out of four races. We are still looking for volunteers and sponsors. For \$100.00 you can have your name on the back of the shirt, \$300 includes company logo. We have the medal designs approved and sent for Veteran's Honor Run and the Burton Race Series.

Mrs. Bigsby stated the pastor from Bethany Baptist Church in Grand Blanc mentioned he would like to do something for the Patriot Day Hero Run.

3. Christmas Festivities

No Discussion.

G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Chris Arrington, Superintendent of Bentley School, introduced himself. He said I have come this evening to learn about the Parks & Recreation group and the Trick or Treat Trail event.

H. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mrs. Bigsby said I would like to personally thank you for participating in the Master Plan. I have distributed to each of you a letter and questions from Caitlyn McGoldrick, Rowe Professional Services Company. These will be the questions they are going to put in the Master Plan. This will help us next year when we have to update our Parks & Recreation Master Plan. Alternatives for Family and Children on Center Road had a great going out of business sale and I was able to purchase many new toys for our events. We need face painters for the Patriots Day Hero Run. The Transit Twister Club will be at Kelly Lake this weekend. I would like to see some kind of music at our Trick or Treat Trail event. I would like to bring in the music and art community.

Mr. Hatfield suggested asking Flint Symphony Youth Orchestra, which is the high school kids or the Flint Symphony Philharmonic, which is the middle school kids. The reason I haven't pursued the idea of "Music in the Parks" is because we really have no place to do it. Our parks do not have the parking space needed. I have had many people ask me how we could get more activities in the parks. We may want to think about asking for a mileage for this. We have the area behind VG's that would be perfect for some of the events we are thinking about. It does need to be developed. Mrs. Bigsby has mentioned she would like to see a soccer program.

I. COMMISSION DISCUSSION

Mr. Spose asked about the Iron Belle Trail. Mrs. Bigsby said they are in the process of getting this done. Grand Blanc and Flint got funded for this but Burton did not. There is another trail coming out of Atlas Twp. Through Grand Blanc Twp. On the east side of the city that will eventually come our way. It is in our Parks & Recreation Plan.

Mr. Craig said this will add value to your home. There are a lot of walkers, runners and bikers that are looking for that kind of thing as a perk to move into our city.

J. COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS AND/OR ACTION

K. Motion to donate \$150.00 to Shriners for participating in the Burton Memorial Day Parade.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robert Wilson, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Robert Spose, Commissioner
AYES:	Talbot, Spose, Craig, Hatfield, Wilson, Jackson
EXCUSED:	Dunsmore, Adams

Meeting was adjourned at 6:52 PM.
