

CITY OF BURTON
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 13, 2012, 5:30 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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The Parks and Recreation Meeting was called to order by Chairman Steven Heffner at 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Groulx led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Heffner, Craig, Bauldry, Adams, Hildreth, Groulx, and Miron.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dunsmore.

OTHERS PRESENT: B. Bigsby, Interim Parks and Recreation Director, and M. Snow, Clerk's Office.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING:

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| 1.) Bowling Fundraiser – Frank Pepp | 5.) Trick or Treat Trail |
| 2.) Ken Gould | 6.) Gala |
| 3.) Memorial Day wrap-up | 7.) July 1 st Celebration |
| 4.) Concessions at Burton
Youth League Events | |

PRESENTATION:

Ms. Easterwood was at the meeting doing a follow up with the members. She said the DNR contacted the Mayor for proof the Public Notice on Planning was posted.

Mrs. Bigsby said the DNR would be doing a walkthrough on June 15th at Kelly Lake.

Ms. Easterwood said the City would get notice of the score from the DNR in August. She said Ms. Miron is working with Lowe's, who would like to donate materials on the connecting boardwalk. There would be 754 boards for the project.

Ms. Miron said she is working on memory boards the residents can purchase as well.

Mrs. Bigsby received 4 letters of support and 2 donations from the Transom Twisters Boat Club.

Ms. Easterwood suggested the Board do a signed petition in favor of the project.

Frank Pepp from Bowl Flint spoke regarding fundraisers though B's Bowling and Richfield Bowl. He would like a Burton Youth Bowling Developmental Program, which is similar to a golf fundraiser. They could do 50/50 raffles, auctions and raffles and the network is great. He said the bowling program is less expensive than golf.

Mr. Groulx asked how many lanes Richfield bowl has versus B's.

Mr. Pepp replied B's has 24 lanes and Richfield Bowl has 48.

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Mr. Craig asked if there would be any fundraisers coming up that he could observe.

Mr. Pepp said he has one in August. The bowling league runs in 8-week blocks and each child gets a ball and case as well as social skills.

Mary Down said she received a \$500.00 grant for the Burton Library but the money needs to be spent and the project completed by June 30th. One idea was a large rock with a plaque with Danny Webb's mother's name on it as well as 1 or 2 benches. She suggested the City have a farmer's market on the property and the box elder tree needs to come down.

Mr. Heffner said Walker Farm could supply the rock and A-Frame could supply the plaque.

Discussion ensued regarding, perennials rather than annuals and putting benches around the rock.

Ken Gould said the Fire Department receives calls daily about the #2 Fire Station park equipment. The park swings and riding equipment need to be updated. THA and DCC agreed to provide groundcover for the park and the tarpaper is showing through. He said the department has \$200 to donate towards the cause.

Mr. Hildreth suggested the Atherton Key Clubbers paint and spruce up the park on June 30th. He said the park needs to be mowed and trimmed as well. He suggested he and Mrs. Bigsby work on a list of projects to complete.

Mr. Gould said Fire Prevention Week starts October 9th.

Mr. Groulx said the Commission would be hosting a black tie gala on September 29th at Courtland Center.

Mr. Heffner said alcohol is not permitted and suggested having it at IMA Brookwood instead. He asked that the Committee have a decision by the next meeting.

Mrs. Bigsby said the car show for Memorial Day weekend was rained out but the road race went well. The Parks and Recreation float placed 2nd in the parade and 250 bottles of pop and water were sold. She said Toys for Tots received \$330.00 and 27 toys.

Mrs. Bigsby expressed the need for volunteers to sell water at the Youth League games on Tuesdays and Thursdays. She would be buying sunflower seed to sell and the City makes \$20.00 on each box of candy bars sold.

Mr. Heffner said the Trick or Treat Trail Committee would start meeting soon and the event would be held at Kelly Lake on October 27th.

Mrs. Bigsby said the July 1st Celebration would be held from noon to 3:00 p.m. There would be ice cream to be sold for "Pack the Truck", possible bounce houses as well as 2 donated tents.

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Mrs. Bigsby asked the Commission to be there by 11:00 a.m. to help. The invitations will include previous Mayors, Council and employees.

Mr. Heffner said he would have a full-page ad in The View done. He suggested having a sub committee meet.

Mrs. Bigsby said the volunteers would be available so the event flows smoothly. Some options are a snack shack, mini putt putt and 4-5 cakes from VG's.

Mr. Heffner would like there to be a sack and three legged race, music and would prefer the ice cream to be free of charge. He could ask Bob Steele to host the music at \$150.00 for 3 hours.

Discussion ensued regarding the Community Garden being watered and funding for a Parks and Recreation Director.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS AND/OR ACTION:

Miron moved and Craig seconded the following motion:

1. Approve and authorize up to \$1,000 to go towards the City's 40th Birthday Party Celebration. Motion carried 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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