

CITY OF BURTON
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES
JULY 13, 2011, 5:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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Chairperson Jim Craig led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairperson Jim Craig called the Meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: O'Reilly, Gwinn, Craig, Bigsby, Adams and Haskins.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: J. Anderson, Clerk/typist.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING:

- 1) Trick or Treat trail
- 2) Courtland Center Concerts
- 3) Christmas Tree Lighting
- 4) Back 2 the Bricks

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None.

DIRECTORS REPORT: None.

COMMISSION DISCUSSION:

Mr. Craig stated he would like to start by forming a committee for the trick or treat trail and asked for volunteers.

Mrs. O'Reilly nominated Mrs. Adams.

Mr. Craig nominated Mrs. O'Reilly.

Mrs. O'Reilly stated she would chair the event with Mrs. Adams.

Mrs. Adams acknowledged she would co-chair the trick or treat trail event with Mrs. O'Reilly.

Moved by Craig, seconded by O'Reilly to have Mrs. O'Reilly and Mrs. Adams co-chair the trick or treat trail. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Craig, seconded by O'Reilly to hold the trick or treat trail on October 22, 2011 from 4-7 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Mrs. O'Reilly stated Mr. Heffner said we are participating in the concerts at Courtland but he is not sure what is expected from Parks & Recreation.

Mr. Craig said it is his understanding that Parks & Recreation are helping sponsor the concerts, and the concerts are roughly \$400 a concert. There are 5 concerts.

Mrs. Gwinn asked if she could have a copy of the budget.

Mrs. Anderson said she will provide that at the next meeting.

Mrs. Gwinn stated she is uncomfortable to provide \$2,000 for concerts.

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Mr. Haskins said the Commission should make a decision on how much or any they want to give to the concerts.

Mrs. Gwinn said she would be willing to have the Commission pay for one concert but not all five.

Mr. Craig stated he agrees he would like to know what is asked of the committee or some more information before making a decision on the concerts.

Mrs. Gwinn asked if the committee intends on having the Christmas tree lighting across the street at the Police Station or do we intend on changing for a bigger scale.

Mr. Haskins said he enjoys the event and the way we have held it in the past but he would like to advertise more and try to bring more children to the event.

Mr. Craig said we should start planning now if we would like to hold a nice event.

Mrs. Bigsby stated she is not a fan of the Christmas lights because of recent budget cuts.

Mr. Craig said if it were budgeted, he would like to advertise and start planning early just to insure the event is nice.

Mrs. Bigsby said she feels the Commission should take a stand that any and all events needing money should be presented to the Commission 90 days in advance.

Mrs. Gwinn said she agrees with that.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS AND/OR ACTION:

Moved by Haskins, seconded by Craig to approve and authorize not giving funds to the concerts at Courtland until the committee is approached for funds. Motion carried 5-1 with O'Reilly voting no.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: **August 10, 2011 5:00 P.M.**

TOPIC OF DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT MEETING:

1. Christmas tree lighting.
2. Voting of officers.
3. Trick or Treat Trail.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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