

**Parks and Recreation Board
Work Session Minutes
City of Huber Heights
October 21, 2021**

- I. Chair Vincent King called the meeting to order at approximately 6:31 p.m.
- II. Present at the meeting: Vincent King, Chair, Chris Hall, Glenn Pottenger, Blake Herstine, Matt Teague and Ron Eifert

Members Absent: Bryan Detty, Vice Chair, Alex Black, Sydney Smith Denis Snider,

Staff Present: Josh King, Parks Manager, City of Huber Heights & Chris Lindeman, Executive Director, YMCA at the Heights
- III. **Opening Remarks**
 1. Mr. King had none at this time.
- IV. **Citizen's Comments**
 1. None
- V. **Old Business**
 1. Long Term Leasing Agreement
 - a. Going to council on Monday, October 25th for approval for a five-year agreement with HHGSA for baseball and softball fields at Cloud Park and Monita Fields.
 - b. Trying to locate someone else to recondition the fields at Monita before the start of the spring season.
 2. YMCA Update
 - a. The YMCA has 568 shelter rentals in 2021 for the parks system in Huber Heights. June and July were the biggest months with 109 and 106 rentals.
 - b. 5K run on 10/30 has been canceled due to low registration. Another 5K race is scheduled for 11/13.
 - c. On Monday, October 25th, council will hear the first reading on improvements at the Kroger Aquatic Center, which includes cleaning and painting of the slides and slide tower.
 3. Parks Manager Update
 - a. Monita Fields has ongoing construction on the pump track and BMX park. The skate ramps have been delayed by an extra week. Perimeter will be finished in the springtime.
 - b. Movie and Music season has finished up for 2021. It went very well and Josh will be looking at the season and making an changes for 2022.
 - c. Eichelberger Playground has not much movement on it. Josh is waiting on the final design and council will need to approve it for final passage and construction.
 4. Dog Gone Pawrade

- a. Board talked about the final details for the pet parade being held on Saturday, October 30th. People can register the day of the event or check the Park & Recreation Facebook page for the all the details.
5. Falls Creek
 - a. The board voted to move forward with a renaming process at Falls Creek Park in honor of Denny Philips. Motioned by Christopher Hall, 2nd by Glenn Pottenger, Vote 5-0
 - b. The motion will go to council for the final approval.
6. Programming & Events
 - a. Mr. Vince King asked the board to begin thinking about programs and events for the spring and summer in the parks system.
 - b. July is National Park & Recreation Month
 - c. Mr. King is working with local businesses to get them involved.
 - d. More Health & Wellness Programming in the parks system is also a focus for 2022.
 - e. Geocaching is also a focus with 35 sites within the city limits of Huber Heights. Mr. Teague is working to get more people involved in geocaching with over 6.5 million people participating around the world. Looking at possibly creating some type of passport that people can use.
7. Parks Cleanup
 - a. The last parks cleanup was held at the Community Center.

VI. New Business

1. None

VII. Additional Business and Announcements

1. Naming of Skate/BMX park at Monita Fields
 - a. Looking at corporate sponsorship for the naming rights for the Monita Fields work. It would be like the naming agreement of the aquatic center.

VIII. Approval of Minutes

1. Meeting Minutes from September 16, 2021, were approved as written.

IX. Upcoming Meetings


1. November 18, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

X. Adjournment

1. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.



Vincent King, Parks & Recreation Chair



Chris Lindeman, YMCA at the Heights, Executive Dir.

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