

CITY OF SUNBURY
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 4, 2023

Sunbury's Parks and Recreation Committee ("Committee") met for a regular meeting on October 4, 2023, at 5:30 pm on the third floor of Town Hall, 51 E. Cherry Street, Sunbury, Ohio. Committee Chair Tim Gose called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call.

Roll Call

Members in attendance included: Dave Martin, Tim Gose and John Grumney. Others in attendance included Daryl Hennessy, City Administrator, Amber Swain, Clerk of Council, Dana Steffan, Finance Director, Dan Whited, City Engineer, and Alyssa Graziano, City Planner.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Grumney moved for the approval of the September 6, 2023, minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Martin and the minutes were approved.

Visitors

There were no visitors present that wished to speak.

Unfinished Business

Mr. Gose updated the Committee on a meeting that took place with Ted Miller, Park Director for the City of Delaware. Seeking information on the day to day and yearly upkeep of the splash pad and their insight on which water system based on their experience. He also touched on the issues the City of Delaware had seen in regards to play sets and water guns for the splash pad, stating that they found it hard to find or get in replacement parts for these accessories.

Ms. Graziano spoke to the Committee about her findings after speaking with the City of Westerville, and Grove City. Going over average yearly maintenance and water usages for each city and both systems the flow through or the recirculating system.

Discussion then took place between City staff and the Committee over the proposed phases for the park. Mr. Gose went over the plans for phase one going over the reduction of the size of the splash pad, the pavilion, parking and walking paths. Mr. Gose also went over examples of playground equipment, wanting to keep the area more natural and fit the aesthetic of the area.

New Business

Mr. Hennessy gave a brief update on Sunbury Memorial Park, going over the uptick in activity within memorial park. He went over the foundations that are on the fall list and advised that this has doubled since last fall. In regard to foundations, the City has reached out to another provider for a quote to see if we can reduce the cost of foundations for families. Mr. Hennessy also gave an update on a disinterment and reinterment that took place this week, letting the Committee know everything went smoothly with no complications. The family was also pleased with the process.

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Mr. Whited gave an update on the Reservoir Park project, going over the next steps. There was a pre bid meeting with no interest. At this time, the bid date will be extended. Since that has been announced there have been 3 contractors reach out for the plans. Mr. Gose asked Mr. Whited to send over the bids to him once they have been received.

Other Parks Updates

Ms. Swain gave an update on the healthy living grant, going over the placement of the benches, the bike racks that will be delivered by the end of the month, and the final steps on getting the wayfinding signs up.

Adjournment

There being no further Committee business, Mr. Grumney moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Martin and approved unanimously.