

**Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting
October 9, 2024
Regular Meeting**

Members Present: Dave Steidler, Jessicka Jarvis, Teresa Adams, Grace Franks, Katt Metzger, Charlie Dove
Members Absent: Christine Steidler
Public Present: Dave Albert

Call to Order: Chairman Dave Steidler called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Pledge and Prayer: Pledge was led by David Steidler, prayer by Teresa Adams.

Approval of minutes:

August 14, 2024 regular meeting minutes were accepted as submitted.

Motion made by Board Member Grace Franks.

Second by Vice-chair Jessicka Jarvis

Motion carried.

September 11, 2024 regular meeting minutes were accepted as submitted.

Motion made by Board Member Grace Franks.

Second by Secretary Teresa Adams

Abstained by Vice-Chair Jessicka Jarvis and Board Member Katt Metzger who were absent for this meeting.

Public Comment: Mr. Zurko inquired on what happened to the playground equipment, why was it taken down.

Chairman Steidler replied that it was a safety hazard for the children.

Dave Albert said he followed up on birdhouse kit donations, he said a letter needs to be drafted to request the donation, the letter should include the number of houses needed, organization name, contact person's name and information, etc.

Recreation Report: No report due to no events scheduled.

Park Report: The Board discussed the Walking Trail cleanup, during the cleanup it was brought to the members attention the spotted lantern flies had infested a "Tree of Life" discussion ensued about the possibility of removing the tree as well as other trees that are affected by the insect.

Chairman Steidler reported the play area is ready for grading the work just needs to be scheduled and completed by ReddUp LLC.

Friends of the Park Report: Including Fund Raising Events and donations raised: Board member Kat Metzger was present and reported the organization held a meeting, minutes are forthcoming. Mrs. Metzger reported they discussed the possibility of doing a recycling fundraiser for a quick solution to meet the qualifications of their Grant. She reported the FOP scheduled 2 meetings, one for Sunday, October 20, 2024 and the other for Sunday, November 3, 2024. She said a discussion ensued on how to raise the money to submit with their Small Games of Chance License application. Secretary Adams suggested doing a Texas Roadhouse Coupon fundraiser where the FOP would coordinate with the restaurant on a night to have it. She said the restaurant donates 10% of the guests bill to the FOP.

Funding Report: Grant money/Matches, Outside Donations: Secretary Adams said there was nothing new to report, she needed to spend time in the DCNR portal and get some of the checklist items completed including a progress report and timeline.

New Business:

Halloween / Trick Treat Night: Discussion ensued to have an arts and crafts day Sunday, October 20, 2024 meeting at the park pavilion at 1:00 p.m. to make decorations for the spooky house and to meet Halloween Eve at 1:00 p.m. to set up any decorations made and donated.

Christmas Event: The Board is waiting on dates from Wellsville for Santa's arrival in Franklinton.

Any other Business: There was no other business at this time.

Old Business:

Resignation of Board member: Council accepted the resignation request from Sharon Blouch.

Request for P&R Board Appointment: Council appointed Charlie Dove to the P&R Board to fill the seat of member Sharon Blouch.

Fall/Winter Newsletter: Discussion ensued to follow up with printer to see if ready for pick up.

Santa Engine: Secretary Adams suggested to contact Luthern Church and ask permission to use outside electrical outlets.

Meeting Time Change: Discussion ensued to change the meeting time to 6:30 p.m. instead of 7:00 p.m. beginning in 2025. Tabled for November P&R meeting.

FOP fundraiser assistance: Discussion ensued pertaining to helping the FOP distribute Texas Roadhouse Coupons should they decide to move forward with the fundraiser.

Questions: Board Member Charlie Dove passed out some questions for the Board Members, discussion ensued pertaining to the list.

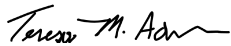
Adjournment:

Motion was made by Vice-chair Jarvis

Second by Board Member Franks

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Teresa M. Adams

Secretary, P&R Board