

CENTRAL BLAIR RECREATION & PARK COMMISSION

BOARD MEETING
November 16, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Erik Cagle, Marla Marcinko, Ryan Rimbeck, Tim Brown
Phil Riccio, Bill Neugebauer

MEMBERS ABSENT: Wayne Hippo

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Hofer, Judy Irvin, Cory Geishauser, Tom Boslet,
David Salome, Dane Schick, Jarrod Prugar, Larry
Clapper, Dustin Ott, Bill Kibler

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by the Chairman, Phil Riccio.

A roll call of board members was taken.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Citizens and Group Representatives was next on the agenda. Dustin Ott, President of the Keystone Girls' Softball League was there to discuss moving their softball league from their current location in Mill Run to Kustaborder Field located at 810 North 18 Street, Altoona. They would like to gradually move in 2018 and possibly full-time in 2019. Their current location has issues with neighbors and parking. The Kustaborder Field is currently not being used; they would like to take over the field for their exclusive use which would include maintenance and upkeep on the field. Currently they have 350 girls in their league and would like to expand to 500. There is not enough space for their league at the Mill Run ballfield. Kustaborder has parking and the ability to put two (2) softball fields in one area. Practice starts in mid-April and they are finished by the beginning of August.

The Board then went into Executive Session to discuss personnel at 4:40 p.m.

The Board then reconvened from Executive Session at 4:58 p.m.

Erik Cagle made a motion to approve the board minutes, as read, from the September 21, 2017 board meeting, Ryan Rimbeck seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.

Approval of financial reports was next on the agenda. Ryan Rimbeck made a motion to approve the Regular financial report from January through October, 2017, Erik Cagle seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.

Executive Director's Report was next on the agenda. Mike wanted to thank United Way and the Young Professionals from the Chamber of Commerce for their hard work raising funds and installing the Early Learning Trail at Prospect Park. They did a fabulous job and it is a nice addition to the park; they hope to replicate it in other parks in the community.

New Business was next on the agenda.

- A. Budget – Erik Cagle made a motion to approve the 2018 Budget as presented, which includes salary increases and \$4,800 in reserve funds. Ryan Rimbeck seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.
- B. 2017 Pension Funding – Ryan Rimbeck made a motion to approve the 3% pension funding match for 2017, as presented. Estimated match is \$5,672.78, which is \$1,793.22 below the budgeted amount. Erik Cagle seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.
- C. Community Classic Dinner – Mike said this is our main fund raising event of the year. This will be our Ninth Annual Community Classic Dinner & Benefit Auction. The event will be held on Saturday, February 17, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at the Bavarian Hall. Our 2018 Respected Citizen is Dr. Zane Gates for everything he has done in our community. Our featured guest speaker is Eric McElvenny a former U. S. Marine Captain who lost his leg in battle in Afghanistan. He has fought back through hard work, training and perseverance to become an Iron Man competitor, training with Hines Ward. He is on pace to set a world record. We are excited to go with a different angle this year with our guest speaker. We are honored to bring in this hero and make the Dinner unique and unforgettable. All our partners are still on-board to make this event special, U. S. Hotel, Prime Sirloin, U. S. Foods and Beating the Odds. Tickets will be available the first week in December.
- D. Board Meeting Location for 2018. Judy Irvin said it was suggested at the last board meeting to bring up for discussion the location for the Board meetings. Currently we switch up the location between City Council Chambers and Logan Township. Erik Cagle made a motion that all Board meetings will now be held at the Logan Township Municipal Building, Ryan Rimbeck seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.

Questions from news media was next on the agenda. Bill Kibler asked if we have any update on the Dog Park. Mike said he put together a corporate sign fencing project and he will start working on grant opportunities early next year. He asked who decides if Kustaborder Field can be used for the Keystone Girls' Softball League games. Mike said the City of Altoona needs to set a lease with them since they own the property. Erik Cagle said he likes the idea and the next step is to put the lease request on the City Council agenda.

The meeting was then adjourned at 5:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith A. Irvin
Administrative Assistant

K. Michael Hofer
Executive Director

