

Springdale Parks and Recreation Commission
Tuesday, December 4, 2018

On Tuesday, December 4, 2018, Mayor Doyle Webster called the regular meeting of the Springdale Parks & Recreation Commission to order at 7:00pm. Members present were Daryl Dennie, Rob Hormann, Michelle Miller and Doug Stahlgren. Also present was Recreation Director Greg Karle.

Minutes from the November 2018 meeting were approved.

Items of **Old Business** discussed were:

- Mr. Karle reported that the youth soccer regular season concluded at the end of October. Two boy's wings teams qualified for the Ohio Area State Tournament as league champions. Unfortunately, one team was eliminated the first weekend, but the other team finished as runner up.

Youth basketball teams 2nd grade through high school began play on Saturday. Instructional team games begin January 5. There are sixteen basketball teams competing this year. There is a nice increase in the number of cheerleaders participating this season with a total of twelve, doubling last year's number.

Unfortunately, we did not have enough children registered to have a youth volleyball program this winter with Sharonville and Wyoming no longer participating. The plan going forward is to offer volleyball in the spring and fall with the CPYVL. By entering this program, we will be assured to have other communities and teams to compete with.

The Basketball Skills & Drills Clinic was held on Saturday November 10 with 44 children in attendance. Twelve of our coaches volunteered to run the various skill and drill stations. Following the instruction, the players participated in fun group games to employ some of the skills they had learned. At the conclusion of the clinic, Princeton High School Girls' Varsity Basketball coach gave a talk about the importance of practice, dedication, what PHS coaches look for during tryouts and how to improve their skills outside of practice.

Registration for spring youth sports including baseball, t-ball, girl's softball, spring volleyball, and spring soccer will begin on January 2.

SYB elected their officers for the coming year at their November meeting; President Danielle Little, Vice President Susan Deubell, Treasurer, Chris Mayborg and Secretary, Mary Jane Brooks. The organization also will again be selling pre-packaged food and drinks during Saturday home games at the Community Center.

Registration is underway for the Women's Volleyball League and the Adult Racquetball league. Both leagues begin play in January. Contact the Community Center for details.

- A Giving Tree is located in the lobby of the Community Center for the seniors and/or members to assist Springdale Offering Support in their efforts to provide gifts for less fortunate families in our community. The tree was decorated with ornaments listing a gift wish on the back. Participants selected an ornament, signed it out at the front desk, purchased the item and returned it to the Community Center.

The Springdale Garden Club will join our seniors to make floral centerpieces for the Holiday Luncheon on December 5. The cost is \$15 but participants may take their centerpiece home to enjoy after the luncheon.

The seniors annual Holiday Luncheon will be December 7 at the Community Center. They will enjoy a lunch prepared by Chef Chris Jenkins of Maple Knoll and be entertained by harpist Heather McGrath.

The *This & That* program on December 12 is “Lunch at Glendale Place.” Participants will be treated to a free lunch and have the opportunity to create a unique holiday craft and tour the facility.

AARP will again be providing income tax help at the Community Center on Friday mornings February 1 – April 5. One-hour appointments will provide assistance for simple federal and state returns. Appointments may be made by contacting the Community Center beginning January 2.

- Part-time Parks Maintenance Worker Glen White resigned his position to accept a fulltime opportunity with Deerfield Township. Customer Service Assistant Josephina Aultman also recently resigned. Both positions have been posted.

John Mahoney has been hired as a part-time Fitness Instructor. He holds a degree in Fitness and Recreational Programming from Trine University and was recently employed at Colerain Senior Center where he was responsible for developing fitness/health programming and leading functional fitness classes for seniors.

- The Veterans Day Ceremony was held on November 12. Mayor Webster provided opening comments, and the guest speaker this year was Cheri Brinkman. She is a college educator, local historian, and author. She spoke about Southwest Ohio and its role in World War 1. As in the past, students from Springdale Elementary sang patriotic songs.
- The lighting of the City’s Christmas tree was November 26 at the Municipal Building. Second grade students from Springdale Elementary sung carols, there was a visit from Santa, and snacks and refreshments.

Items of **New Business** discussed were:

- A new fitness class called H.I.I.T. Fit (High Intensity Interval Training) is now being offered. It combines the benefits of kickboxing and strength training that’s sure to challenge your body and give you the results you need. Class is offered on Tuesday’s at 5:55 p.m. and Saturday’s at 11:00 a.m.
- The youth boosters will present their Youth Sports Pep Rally on Friday, January 4 at 6:30pm in the main gyms. Youth basketball and cheer squads will present their banners and will be introduced. Ron Hogden will be inducted into the Youth Sports Memorial Hall of Fame. He was a youth sports coach and through his business Crane Hoist, was a very committed sponsor of youth sport teams in Springdale.
- Mr. Karle announced the Community Center Holiday Hours:
Christmas Eve - 9am - 5pm (track & fitness ctr. opens at 6am)
Christmas Day - Closed
New Year's Eve - 9am - 5pm (track & fitness ctr. opens at 6am)
New Year's Day - Closed

- Mayor Webster shared with the Commission members details of the proposed income tax increase that is planned to be on the May ballot. He further explained the need for the increase and how reductions in the local government funds, tangible personal property tax, and the elimination of the estate tax have affected the City's budget.