

Parks & Recreation Commission
Tuesday, January 4, 2022

On Tuesday, January 4, 2022, Mayor Doyle Webster called the regular meeting of the Springdale Parks and Recreation Commission to order at 7:00pm. Members present were Rob Hormann, Lori Merz, Mary Jane Brooks, and Josh Monson. Also present was Parks and Recreation Director Charlie Wilson.

Minutes from the December 2021 meeting were approved.

Items of **Old Business** discussed were:

Sports Programming

Mr. Wilson stated that the basketball teams 2nd grade through high school had completed three games of the season. Instructional basketball teams, along with Cheerleading will have their first game on Saturday.

January 2nd youth sports registration begins for Baseball, Coach Pitch, Instructional T-ball, Girls Softball, Spring Soccer, and Spring Volleyball.

We are taking registrations for the Women's Volleyball league and Coed Adult Racquetball League.

Events & Programming

Club Rec

Club Rec Winter Extreme Games will take place on Friday, January 21 from 8:30 PM – 10:30 PM. Children grades 5 – 8, the cost is \$2 for SCC members and \$4 for non-members. Participants will play group games and activities.

Adult/Senior Programming

On December 11, we had our crafting with grandchildren program. The program went well and we had a good turnout.

Cyber Crimes Thursday, January 13 at 1:00 PM.

Cincinnati Police Departments, Detective Mary Braun will present on the topic, so those attending can be more informed on web crimes and scams, to prevent being tricked.

Travel Expo Friday, February 4 at 11:00 AM

AARP Free Tax Services

Those needing Basic Tax Services may contact the Community Center to register for an available time slot. These time slots fill up quickly.

Coaches Memorial & Hall of Fame 2022 Friday, January 7, at 6:30 PM

We will be honoring and inducting Ken Broenner, Marjorie Pollitt Harlow, Tommy Holmes, Artie Little, Gary Neu, and Danny Price. We will have a DJ playing the teams into the gym as they show off their team banners. The Mayor will present the families with a plaque, and their names will go up in the Community Center Lobby.

SOS Adopt A Family Program - This year we were able to accommodate 110 families – 316 kids via sponsors or generous donations from the community. In addition, each family received a turkey or ham donated from Smithfield and Costco.

S.O.S. Santa 5K/1M Walk Fundraiser

On Saturday, December 4, at 9:00 AM we had our Santa 5k fundraiser. There were 98 participants registered for the event. The Princeton Choir performed around the track. Families got their pictures taken with Santa and had cookies & cocoa after the race. We had the 501 legion of Authentic Star Wars characters at our event. In all, between the event registration and event sponsors, the race generated over \$2,200 for S.O.S.

Personnel

Applications are being accepted for Part-time Custodian, Park Maintenance & Customer Service.

Starting next week, we will begin taking applications for lifeguards, pool concessions, and gate attendants.

Elizabeth Johnson is on maternity leave. She and her husband welcomed a new baby boy (Brody) on December 22, 2021. She is expected to return on January 31.

Mr. Wilson shared with the group that he and his wife learned they are expecting their first child in April and are anticipating a boy.

State Capital Projects Grant

The City has applied for approximately \$192,000 in grant money to revitalize the outdoor courts that would include a new surface, new basketball systems, tennis net systems, and transforming two of the existing tennis courts into four pickle ball courts.

Two grant applications were filed, one for State Capital Funds (\$172,962) and the other was for Hamilton County Community Revitalization (\$19,218).

On December 7, the Assistant City Administrator and Mr. Wilson delivered the presentation to the Cincinnati Business Committee for the State Capital Grant funds asking for \$172,962. We are still waiting to hear back on this funding.

Mr. Wilson is happy to report the City received confirmation that we were awarded \$19,218 from the Hamilton County Community Revitalization Grant.

Items of **New Business** discussed were:

Martin Luther King Day

The Community Center will be open holiday hours 1PM – 9PM on Martin Luther King Day, January 17.

Cinema Horse Races

Decision to have the event is currently on hold. SYB will let us know whether or not they will have the event.

Lil Vikes

Mrs. Merz asked if we have had any competitiveness with the Lil Vikes organization. Mr. Wilson, at the time, did not view them as real competition. Ms. Brooks mentioned they are growing into other sports and could be a threat. Mrs. Merz recommended looking into the organization to see what sector of the youth sports market they are involved with Princeton.

Mayors Report

The Mayor ran through the tentative site development plans that were presented to council for the Tri County mall location.

The Next meeting will take place February 1, 2022 at 7:00 PM