

City of Mentor-on-the-Lake

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Minutes Parks and Recreation Board January 25, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board for the City of Mentor-on-the-Lake, Ohio, ("City") was called to order by Chairperson, Bri Moon, at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Pledge of Allegiance

OATH OF OFFICE: Carol Stafinski by Mayor Eva

ROLL CALL: Kyle Kozlowski
Bri Moon
Jeanette Pechatsko
Cathy Roos (Absent)
Carol Stafinski
Jeannie Wong, Council Representative

Also Present: Dave Eva, Mayor
Rob Johnson, Council President

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Nominations for Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

Jeanette Pechatsko was nominated for Chairperson. No other nominations for Chairperson. Motion passed 5/0/0. Nominations for Vice-Chairperson were Carol Stafinski and Bri Moon. Bri Moon received 3 votes and Carol Stafinski received 2 votes. Jeanette Pechatsko will be Chairperson for the Board in 2024 and Bri Moon will be Vice-Chairperson for the Board in

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 26, 2023: correction: meeting on 10/26/23 was called to order by Vice- Chairperson Carol Stafinski.

MOTION MADE BY Carol Stafinski; seconded by Jeanette Pechatsko to approve the revised minutes of October 26, 2023. **ROLL CALL:** Ayes: Kyle Kozlowski, Carol Stafinski, and Bri Moon, Abstain: Jeanette Pechatsko and Jeannie Wong; Nays: None.

MOTION PASSED: 3/0/2

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CORRESPONDENCE: None.

REPORTS:

Council Representative:

Council Representative, Jeannie Wong: report is attached.

Mayor:

Mayor Eva informed the board the administration was drafting the 2024 appropriations and the meeting with council is scheduled for February 20, 2024. Discussion included a meeting with the City of Mentor with the topic of Mentor Beach Park.

Chairperson: There was no report.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: 1/25/24 at 6:50 PM: Resident Nina Murzyn asked about the opening on the board and the responsibilities and requirements. The board has 6 citizen members and each serves a 3-year term. A letter of interest and volunteer form would be completed in order to be considered.

CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC: 1/25/24 at 6:55 PM.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

Old Business:

- Star Seekers Updates- Kyle Kozlowski & Bri Moon

K. Kozlowski and B. Moon reported the next Star Seekers activity will be held at the MOL Branch Library on February 22, 2024 from 6-8 PM. A flyer was distributed to all board members. Upcoming star seeker events are scheduled for 3/11/24, 4/6/24 where eclipse viewing glasses will be available, and 4/8/24 for the solar eclipse.

- Update on review of Parks & Recs Rules and Regulations- no update

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New Business:

- Suggestions for recruiting new Board members

There is currently one board member opening. This was mentioned at the 1/23/24 council meeting. We will also post the opening on the city's website and Facebook page.

- 2024 Ideas

The board agreed with combining the City-Wide Yard Sale and the Trunk Sale, with dates for City-Wide Yard Sale being Thursday-Saturday, June 6, 7, and 8, and the Trunk Sale, Saturday, June 8, 2024.

Ideas discussed by the board for 2024 included:

- Solar eclipse events, potentially involving the police and fire departments
 - With the city's 100-year anniversary coming up in October, events which would promote the anniversary such as possibly an event at the Mentor Harbor Yacht Club, along with a change to the city's logo showing the 100-year anniversary dates, t-shirts promoting the anniversary, possibly adding an addition to our city boundary signs.
 - Walk/run in the city
 - Eclipse weekend events
 - Trunk or Treat will most likely be at City Hall again this October. Last year's event was held on a Saturday afternoon, possibly 10/19 or 10/26 this year.
 - Include the Lake Elementary students and other residents for a chalk drawing on the walking path behind City Hall.
 - Movie night with vendors included
 - Food trucks by the Aqua Ohio property one night a week
 - Community garden
 - Facts about the city distributed throughout the year leading up to the 100-year anniversary
- Carol Stafinski suggested we distribute a meeting calendar to the board members for all meetings to be held in 2024.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board is on Thursday, February 29, 2024 at 6:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT: By acclamation.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

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Council Report for Parks & Rec Board

January 25, 2024

Since this Board last met on October 26, 2023, there is significant Council activity on which to report:

2023 General Election, Appointments, and Changes

- Mayor Eva has been re-elected
- Ward 1 is now represented by Jeannie Wong; Ward 2 is now represented by Skip Gray
- Ward 3 re-elected Rob Johnson, subsequently re-elected as Council President; Ward 4 re-elected Desirea Thompson, subsequently elected as Council Vice-President
- Three At-Large Councilors are completing their terms
- Thank you to Dave Chabut (Council Ward 1) and Paul Morris (Council Ward 2) for their service.
- Thanks also to Joyce Saxe, Clerk of Council, who retired in December. Welcome to Taylor Conner, our incoming Clerk of Court. Her contact email address remains councilclerk@citymol.org
- New appointments to Council Committees and Boards are reflected on our City Web site
- Ballot Levies: All 4 tax measures on the Ballot passed. This includes Issues 6, 7, 8 – Renewal levies for Police, Fire, and Roads; Issue 5 – New tax levy for the benefit of Parks & Recreation

Comprehensive Municipal Plan

- A Request for Proposals (RFP) for creation of a Comprehensive Municipal Plan was approved by Council and sent out by the Mayor. This plan would aid long term planning and vision goals, as well as improve our City's candidacy for grants of local, county, state, and federal money to fund projects, which could include public Park and infrastructure improvements. The deadline for bids to be received by the City is March 1.

Update on the Crane's Landing project:

- The updated Preliminary Development Agreement, building plans & renderings, and related documents from the Sommers Group were approved by P&Z Commission on Jan 8, 2024, and returned to Council for review. A Public Hearing is scheduled for Tues, Feb 13, 2024 to vote on application of the Planned Use Development for these parcels to allow for a non-Business or Single-Family District use, for which the land is currently zoned.

Upcoming Meetings

Utilities Committee: MON 1/29 at 6:30 pm

Ordinance Committee: TUE 1/30 at 6:30 pm

Planning & Zoning Commission: MON 2/05 at 6:00 pm

Charter Review Commission Meeting: MON 2/12 at 6:00 pm

Regular Council Meeting and PUBLIC HEARING: TUE 2/13 at 7:00 pm

Committee of the Whole (Council) Meeting: TUE 2/20 at 6:00 pm Annual Appropriations Review

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ADOPTED:



Jeanette Pechatsko, Chairperson



Jennell Muscatello, Clerk