

# City of Mentor-on-the-Lake

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## **Minutes Parks and Recreation Board March 13, 2025**

The meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board for the City of Mentor-on-the-Lake, Ohio was called to order by Chairperson Jeanette Pechatsko, on March 13, 2025 at 6:31 p.m. in the Community Room of City Hall, 5860 Andrews Road.

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Pledge of Allegiance

### **ROLL CALL:**

Jeanette Pechatsko, Chairperson  
Kyle Kozlowski  
Carol Stafinski  
Johnathan Steinbach  
Kevin Bittner, Council Representative

Also Present: Dave Eva, Mayor  
Kenny Ice, Clerk

### **ABSENT:**

Tess Turi  
Nate Duer

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** January 16, 2025

**MOTION MADE BY:** Kyle Kozlowski, **seconded by** Johnathan Steinbach., Abstained  
Kevin Bittner

**ROLL CALL:** Ayes: Jeanette Pechatsko, Kyle Kozlowski, Carol Stafinski, Johnathan Steinbach  
Nay: Kevin Bittner

**MOTION PASSED:** 4/0/1

**CORRESPONDENCE:** NONE

## **REPORTS:**

### **COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE:**

Kevin Bittner, City Budget for 2025 is still in the works. He has presented the Parks and Recreation Boards request to keep the allowed amount same as last year, to help with activities that Parks and Rec Board would like to have. The Cannabis/ Marijuana licensure has passed. Southland storm sewer project is scheduled to start soon.

### **MAYOR:**

The Comprehensive Steering Envision committee had their 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting on 3/12. They discussed on Munson Rd land use, and the Townhouses area. Attended the annual meeting with the Lake County General Health District was held on Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. This meeting was for all Lake County cities, villages, and townships and is held to approve the budget for the Lake County General Health District for 2026. Our city is assessed \$76,265 for the health district's services for 2025. Our assessment is \$76,169, proposed for 2026. Included in the meeting materials was the property valuations for all Lake County entities. Our city's taxable valuation went from approximately \$171 million in 2023 to \$204 million in 2024, an increase of approximately 19.43%. We were only one of two entities whose value increased by less than 20%, the other one being Kirtland Hills. Started the process with David Joyce through Capital portal for additional 300K for Lake Overlook Park. Preliminary plans for Lake Overlook Park have been received CEC is working on changes. Cardinal's bar will be demolished soon, we believe there is plans to rebuild.

### **CHAIRPERSON:**

Jeanette Pechatsko **Nominates** Kyle Kozlowski for Vice Chair, **seconded by** Johnathan Steinbach. **ROLL CALL:** Carol Stafinski, Jeanette Pechatsko, Johnathan Steinbach, Kevin Bittner. **Abstained** Kyle Kozlowski

### **MOTION PASSED:4/0/1**

Some housekeeping:

- Reminder to not engage on Facebook if we receive any negative comments, please direct people to the Chair/Vice Chair or invite them to join a meeting.
- If you are adding topics to the agenda and/or informing of a meeting absence, you need to include the Chair/Vice Chair on the emails/communications.
- By the next meeting, April 10, 2025, let the Chair/Vice Chair know how you prefer to be contacted if we have a communication that needs a timely response.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** 6:47pm

**CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC:** 6:48pm

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS:**

Review/Discuss Parks and Recreation Board rules.

**MOTION MADE BY:** Johnathan Steinbach to approve Parks and Recreation Board Rules, **seconded by** Jeanette Pechatsko. **ROLL CALL:** Carol Stafinski, Jeanette Pechatsko, Johnathan Steinbach, Kevin Bittner, Kyle Kozlowski.

**MOTION PASSED:**5/0

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Kenny, on the request of Carol looked into a company called Fairhill Partners to see if they offer balance classes and other classes for our residents and others, especially our seniors. These classes would be available at City Hall Community room. The balance class is all booked for the 2025 year, but we are on the waiting list for 2026. There is classes on Chronic disease self-management, Kenny will reach out and see how we can get this going. Spoke with Lisa, Lake Elementary PTA about the Trunk and Treat date, they have a PTA board meeting in April and she will get Kenny that date after that meeting.

Jeanette, 2025 Calendar of events. Jeanette spoke with Lake Elementary and they would be interested in having a community garden, will have to do more research on this and could get started in 2026. Discussed partnering up with the Mentor public library Lake branch for some movie nights, starting soon and can use the smaller room at the library which holds 40 people. Getting this started would be good to see how many people this would attract and then moving the movie outdoors when the weather gets better. There would be a cost for PRB if the movie is shown off the library property. Dates discussed, May 2<sup>nd</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup>, and will discuss a date in June.

Johnathan suggested we open the Trunk or Treat to all MOL children, due to the City having a large population that attend other Mentor Elementary schools. We will get in contact with Lake and confirm if this would be okay. Johnathan also suggested holding some music in the park events. Carol agrees and suggests that we invite the Local school bands to come and perform at the park.

Kevin suggested that we use the resources within our city. Suggests partnering with Joy's Roller rink and having a Roller-skating night. He notes that Joy's has a day skate for anyone over 18- more for your seniors, they play all Organ music.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The next meeting of Parks and Recreation Board will be on Thursday, April 10, 2025 at 6:30pm.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION MADE BY:** Jeanette Pechatsko, seconded by Kyle Kozlowski.

Motion made by acclamation.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 8:38p

	
_____ Jeanette Pechatsko, Chairperson	_____ Date

	
_____ Kenny Ice, Clerk	_____ Date