

Meeting Minutes

Vinton Parks and Recreation Board
Regular Meeting
Thursday, March 14, 2024
6:00 a.m. – City Hall

Members Present

Bill Blais	Marcia Fisher	Audra Piotti
Aric Chvala	Ali LaGrange	
Jeff Mangold	Scott McLaughlin	

Members Absent

Tanner Davis	Ashley Hesson
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Staff Present

Matt Boggess	Scott Wirth	Ben Gingerich
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Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Audra Piotti at 6:00 a.m.

The consent Minutes from the February meeting were approved, subject to one edit. Update below. M/S by Chvala and Mangold. Motion approved unanimously.

Edit to February Minutes:

The consent Minutes from the January meeting were approved. M/S by Chvala and Blais. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Input

- 1) Positive feedback noted on Brush & Slush and Bingo events.

New Business

Facilities / Department Updates

- 1) Review and questions on weekly updates points – Matt began sending out updates to the Board following the February Board meeting. Indicated he will aspire to do this weekly, even if the note is to indicate “no update”.
- 2) Questions, comments about gym floor - new gym floor, basketball hoop, and netting installed. Finish product looks great. Have seen an uptick in usage. One incident with a youth wearing black soled shoes. Lengthy clean up effort. Matt to reinforce the need for increased vigilance by front desk staff to catch issues like this sooner.
- 3) Lions Park (BL Anderson Park) Grand Opening events and progress – Planned for May 4th. Will include a Pickle Ball Social. 50 kids to receive paddles and balls. Metal being added to shelter / concrete work in process.
- 4) Therapy / service Animal discussion – Instances of people bringing therapy / emotional support animals to P&R facilities is increasing. The P&R staff are aware of what questions they are allowed to ask. Matt has reached out to the City Attorney on protocol, as there should ideally be a city policy.

Staff/Board

- 1) Summer staff interview / hiring update – Abby Davis to work for P&R as a summer intern. In good shape on filling open positions. Both pool managers from 2023 will also be back.
- 2) Application process for open board position extended to end of March.

Programming

- 1) Brush & Slush, Daddy / Daughter, and bingo events complete. All went well. One bingo event remaining.
- 2) P&R staff meeting with VSHS varsity coaches regarding youth sports input / guidance.
- 3) Contemplating establishing hoops shooting leagues if we acquire a Dr. Dish.
- 4) Mother / son Nerf night upcoming.

Directors Report

- 1) PIP donation e-mail to go out soon. PIP will be weekend of 6/27/24.

Adjournment M/S by Chvala and Fisher

Next Meeting Date- April 11, 2024. 6:00 a.m. Vinton City Hall