



**City of Clayton  
Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting  
Monday, April 1, 2019  
7:00 PM – The Center of Clayton  
Meeting Room C**

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<b>Topic</b>		<b>Notes</b>
1. Approval of Minutes	Eric Schneider	
2. Addresses from the Audience	Eric Schneider	
3. Playground options for South Shaw Park	Patty DeForrest	
4. Director's Report	Patty DeForrest	
5. Old Business/New Business	Eric Schneider	

**Attachments:**

Minutes – March 4, 2019  
April 2019 Event Calendar

**Notes:**

Next Meeting: Monday, May 6, 2019

**CLAYTON PARKS AND RECREATION COMISSION MEETING**  
**Monday, March 4, 2019**  
**Center of Clayton, Meeting Room C**

**Members Present:** Jim Craig, David LaGessee, Missy McCormick, Jeanne Most, Becky Patel, Eric Schneider, Melanie Tamsky, Jason Wilson & Mark Winings

**Absent:** Ira Berkowitz & Brad Bernstein

**Also Present:** Patty DeForrest, Valerie Egel, Dan Krewson, Toni Siering & Denise Ucinski

**Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes from the February meeting were approved as written.

**Addresses from the Audience:**

There were no addresses from the audience.

**Director's Report:**

Ms. DeForrest reported that the DeMun Park project started today. Signage is at the park stating it is closed for construction until June. The park may open as early as May if things go as planned.

The Norm West Dog Park fence has been installed. The park should open in a couple of weeks. People are joining the park now and registration is going better than expected.

Chapman Plaza fountain repair is scheduled to start next week and be open by spring.

The City received a planning grant from the Municipal Park Grant Commission that is for the new Maryland Park.

Ms. DeForrest stated that there is a potential plan to change the course of action for the ice rink. Staff has met with several consultants during the fundraising process. The plan is to keep moving forward rather than waiting to complete it for a variety of reasons that include operational issues with the rink, the cost to delay and the potential for outside funding of a portion of the project. The City is considering hiring a Construction Manager-at-Risk to control costs. Ms. DeForrest will report additional information when it becomes available.

The Capital Improvement Plan will be reviewed at next Thursday's (March 14, 2019) Board of Alderman (BOA) meeting. The South Shelter playground has been moved up and will be able to be replaced as early as October 2019. We will begin considering options for this area soon.

**Center of Clayton**

Ms. Toni Siering reviewed The Center of Clayton presentation with the Commission. (See attached presentation for all details.) The focal points of the presentation were: explanation of the governing body committees, Center of Clayton membership and daily admission sales, center programs and full details of the expansion and renovation plan as well as the implementation phases.

**Old Business / New Business:**

Ms. Missy McCormick stated if there is a not a strong need for the playground by Clayton High School; then it might be worth exploring the option of putting basketball courts there.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:01 pm

Respectfully Submitted By: Denise Ucinski



# Recreation & Event Calendar

April 2019

## **Park Season Officially Begins**

**Monday, April 1**

The Parks officially open for the season on April 1 which means that visitors can be assured that restrooms and drinking fountains are available regardless of weather. This is also the time that pavilion and picnic pad rentals begin to take place, youth baseball & softball leagues begin, and the Hanley House opens for regular hours. The Tennis Center is also staffed on weekends and evenings.

## **Cardinals Home Opener Lunch**

**Thursday, April 4**

Celebrate the beginning of baseball season at Clayton's City Hall by enjoying free lunch, music, special appearances, a fish eye photo booth, giveaways and more.

## **Bunny Hop**

**Saturday, April 13, 10:00 – 11:30 am**

The free egg hunt for ages 1-8 will begin promptly at 10:30 a.m. near the Enterprise Holdings Pavilion. The event includes bunnies to pet from Missouri House Rabbit Society, crafts by Happy Up, and photo opportunity with Mr. Bunny.

## **Heirloom Herb Sale**

**Saturday, April 27, 9:00 – 11:00 am**

The annual Hanley House Herb Sale offers heirloom varieties at a cost of \$5 each. Proceeds benefit programs at the Historic Hanley House. Herbal tea will also be served to shoppers.

## **Prescription Drug Takeback**

**Saturday, April 27, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm**

Clayton Police Officers and DEA Agents will be in front of The Center of Clayton accepting expired, unwanted or unused pharmaceutical controlled substances and other medications for disposal. The focus of this event is to remove potentially dangerous controlled substances from our nation's medicine cabinets. For more information, contact Lt. Al Thuet at 314-290-8405.

## **Pitch, Hit, and Run**

**Sunday, April 28, 10:00 am**

Clayton has teamed with Brentwood Parks and Recreation to host Major League Baseball's Pitch, Hit & Run on April 28 in Shaw Park. The competition is a FREE one-day event for boys and girls ages 7-14. Players compete against their peers in pitching accuracy, hitting ability, and running speed. Winners of each region will be eligible to play in the Sectional event later this spring, and all participants receive a certificate of completion. Details and registrations for the event is available at <https://pitchhitrun.leagueapps.com/events/980450-city-of-clayton>