



**City of Clayton
Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting
Monday, May 6, 2019
7:00 PM – The Center of Clayton
Meeting Room C**

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Topic		Notes
1. Approval of Minutes	Becky Patel	
2. Addresses from the Audience	Becky Patel	
3. Shaw Park All-Season Recreation Complex	Chris Chiodini	
4. Director's Report	Patty DeForrest	
5. Old Business/New Business	Becky Patel	

Attachments:

Minutes – April 1, 2019
May 2019 Event Calendar

Notes:

Next Meeting: Monday, June 3, 2019

CLAYTON PARKS AND RECREATION COMISSION MEETING

Monday, April 1, 2019
Center of Clayton, Meeting Room C

Members Present: Ira Berkowitz, Brad Bernstein, Jim Craig, David LaGessee, Jeanne Most, Eric Schneider, Melanie Tamsky, Jason Wilson & Mark Winings

Absent: Missy McCormick & Becky Patel

Also Present: Patty DeForrest, Dan Krewson, Lori Rice, Toni Siering & Denise Ucinski

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from the March meeting were approved as written.

Addresses from the Audience:

There were no addresses from the audience.

Playground Options for South Shaw Park

Ms. Patty DeForrest reviewed various playground options for the south end of Shaw Park with the Commission. She shared a few playground renderings designed by ABcreative to provide a better understanding of the possible choices for each area of the park. In the Parks and Recreation Master plan having a teen center type playground for children ages 11-15 is recommended. After much discussion about the south playground ideas, the Commission suggested the play area be geared for children 8-10. The ballfield playground area gets heavily used during youth sports and by the Family Center. There will be discussions with the Clayton Parks and Recreation Department and the Clayton School District about the playground on school district property.

Director's Report:

Ms. DeForrest reported that the Board of Alderman (BOA) and Parks and Recreation Staff have recommended moving forward with a Parks Master Plan. The roof is being replaced at #2 Oak Knoll. Further, all parks were prepped for the season and opened on April 1. Parks and Recreation staff are also working on budget, summer camps, adult leagues and the pool opening.

Ms. DeForrest stated she was contacted by the Public Art Advisory Committee. They notified her that the St. Louis Art Museum selected a piece to loan the city for placement at Oak Knoll Park. It was narrowed down to Young Siegfried and they requested the piece be installed near the main entrance to the park. After discussing the art piece plans for Oak Knoll Park, the Commission said they wanted to do some research and had serious concerns about its location, prior to making a recommendation to the BOA.

The Center of Clayton renovations went out to bid. Construction will begin later this year.

Ms. DeForrest has a meeting with St. Louis County Library on April 19 to talk about a possible partnership with them for Maryland Park.

The RFQ for the Shaw Park All-Season Recreation Complex closes on April 2. DeMun playground is torn out and they are trying to get the work started. The anticipated opening time is June. The dog park in Brentwood will be open soon and membership sales are going very well.

Ms. DeForrest informed the Commission that when the indoor pool closes there will be lap lanes for the master's and regular swimmers. Secondly, there will be limited outdoor activities to accommodate lap swimming. Ms. DeForrest is more concerned about the indoor swimmers because the options for them are very limited. Members will be allowed to put a hold on their membership during renovations.

Old Business / New Business:

There was no old or new business reported.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:20 pm

Respectfully Submitted By: Denise Ucinski



Recreation & Event Calendar

May 2019

National Bike Month

May is National Bike Month to build awareness of the impact of replacing car commutes with bicycle commutes can have on health and the environment. The month has two focal points of Bike to School Day on Wednesday, May 8 and Bike to Work Day on Friday, May 17. Clayton is encouraging participation in the spirit of these dates.

Music in the City

May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Enjoy live music at happy hours in selected Clayton restaurants on Fridays throughout the month of May.

Women's Health Week

May 13-19

Join the Fitness Department at The Center of Clayton, May 13-19, 2019, to celebrate Women's Health Week. Members are encouraged to stop by the Fitness Center to complete a workout each day of the week. Once there, they can pick up some health, fitness, and nutrition information and take home a Center of Clayton Women's health themed t-shirt.

Parties in the Park

Wednesday, May 8, 5:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Stop by Central Avenue for great music and libations every second Wednesday this summer. In May, music will be provided by Griffin and the Gargoyles. Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce this event is a great way to cap off your work day and visit with friends.

Chapman Plaza Concert Series

Thursday, May 9, 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Celebrate the new Chapman Plaza with live music by Sean Canan's Voodoo Mixtape at the pond. Refreshments will be available for purchase from Food Trucks as well as Craft Beer Cellar. A second concert is planned for October. The series is sponsored by corporate partners, foremost Barry-Wehmiller.

Aquatic Center Opening Day

Saturday, May 25

The Shaw Park Aquatic Center opens for the 2019 season on Saturday, May 25. The pool will be open from 10:00 am - 8:00 pm throughout the holiday weekend.