

CLAYTON PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, September 9, 2019

Center of Clayton, Meeting Room B

Members Present: David LaGesse, Missy McCormick, Becky Patel, Eric Schneider, Stacy Siwak, Melanie Tamsky & Mark Winings

Absent: Ben Beinfeld, Jim Craig & Ira Berkowitz

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

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from the August meeting were approved as written.

Addresses from the Audience:

There were no addresses from the audience.

Shaw Park All-Season Recreation Complex:

Mr. Chris Chiodini stated that they are working on the finalization of the site plans. Ms. Patty DeForrest noted that the last time a Marking Study about the ice rink took place was 2007. Since it has been a long time and trends have changed, a new study is going to be done in order to evaluate programming, staffing levels, maintenance, sports, events and alternative surfaces for the Shaw Park All-Season Recreation Complex. The study will cost approximately \$12,000 and take three months to complete.

Mr. Mark Winings stated that the BOA is supportive of a roof on the recreation complex; however no money has been set aside for it. The budget was set for a facility without a roof. The hope is to raise money privately to fund a roof. Mr. Louis Chiodini stated that adding a roof to the complex affects the design of the building. A roof would change the symbolism of the whole facility. It is estimated that it will add \$4,000,000 on to the budget. Chiodini Architects are close to having a design to present at ARB. SM Wilson is working on cost estimates. They have weekly meetings with the architects. Mr. Chris Chiodini showed some structural images of the facility and explained their concepts. He also showed various views of how the roof would look over the ice. Solar panels may also be an option. Ms. DeForrest stated that there is funding and grants the City could receive from adding them to the roof.

Some demolition of the rink has already taken place inside the facility; the ammonia system has been removed, the lockers are gone, and debris has been removed from under the bleachers. The plan is to have the demolition complete by the end of this year.

Director's Report:

Ms. DeForrest reported that the DeMun Park playground grand opening celebration will be on September 28 from 10:00-11:30 am. SWT will present a conceptual design of Maryland Park to the BOA at their September 24 meeting. The Tennis Center has had the best year in recent history. Ms. DeForrest also reported the following: construction at The Center of Clayton is coming along, Gyms #3 and #4 are done, Gyms #1 & #2 will be completed in the next couple of weeks, the Competition Pool is scheduled to open at the end of September. The Shaw Park Aquatic Center is staying open longer due to the closure of both indoor pools and will remain open until the Competition Pool opens if the weather is nice. CCF posted a full-time job opening for a candidate whose primary responsibilities will be fundraising and donor relations. Our new part-time Hanley House Coordinator started this week. All Parks and Recreation part-time jobs starting hourly wages are being increased from \$9.00 an hour to \$10.00 an hour to stay ahead of minimum wage. Part-time staff is critical to our operations. Full-time and part-time staff also receive annual merit increases.

Old Business / New Business:

There was no old or new business reported.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:12 pm

Respectfully Submitted By: Denise Ucinski