

Mark Dickerson opened the Park Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Sally Wahlbrink, Tina Swindle, Jane Davis, Kathy Endorf, Judy Mantych, Dave Cross, Alderman Don Merz and Mark Dickerson; Director of Parks & Recreation

Mark Dickerson recapped the February Park Board Minutes and reported Markita Howell-Carter introduced her team members to the Park Board and a discussion followed on their mission and what they're trying to do. Mark mentioned their Community Action group attended the Clean-up day on Saturday in T-Shirts and Wrist Bands and we had a good group. There were 53 people which is the best group we've ever had in the 15 years we've been doing it. We got out and picked up a lot of trash and took it down to the Chain of Rocks Bridge and dumped it so it could be weighed. There were also other Cities involved. Jennings was there and I think I saw Bridgeton and Black Jack as well. We worked until 11:00 or 11:30 a.m. A discussion followed.

Mark reported Ed Horack with the Department of Conservation will be offering their Urban Fishing Program at the Recreation Center. He will be here on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. to teach our future instructors what they'll need to know to run the program. He asked if it is okay if a few other Cities train with us and I told him that is fine. Jennings and Dellwood will have several people attending so there will be about 9 people in the training class. The program will consist of 4 lessons. We'll get all the information on April 10<sup>th</sup> and the Fishing Class will be in our Summer Brochure which will be delivered to residents on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Mark stated if we get a decent size group of maybe 10 or 12. We can have one instructor in charge of the class and the others can go around and help the participants and if one of the instructors goes out of town we'll have enough people to go around and help.

Mark reported the St. Pat's Dinner on March 15<sup>th</sup> went well.

Mark reported the Mayor's Golf Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, April 22 so we will still have another meeting before that. If anyone can help with that it will be great, just let me know. Hopefully we'll have great weather and fill all the brackets. Alderman Don Merz asked if there will be a rainout date and Mark said no. A discussion followed. Mark stated we usually schedule the tournament the first part of April but since Easter is later in the month it's being pushed back. A few teams have already come in. Hopefully we'll get our 18 teams and have a good tournament.

The Easter Egg Hunt/Arbor Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. Mark reported Lefty still hasn't decided on a date for Jean's stone so we may just do it along with Arbor Day.

Mark reported we have started cleaning the Parks already and they should be open the second week of April.

New lounges for the outdoor pool were mentioned. A discussion followed including the pool opening on the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend as well as how the Hoops Day held on Saturday March 11<sup>th</sup> went. Mark mentioned it ran about 2 hours or so. One person arrived late and that age group had already finished. They gave them the option of participating with the older group. The person moved up a bracket and won. So age really doesn't always matter. The Youth Commission will probably tweak a few things and have it again next year.

Mark asked if anyone has anything else? Dave asked if Markita and the Community Action group have anything planned for the lot yet and Mark said we really won't know anything until after she meets with the Mayor and I think they are meeting tomorrow evening. A discussion followed.

Kathy Endorf mentioned they are expecting their first grandchild and she was congratulated by the other Park Board Members. She also said she won't be able to help with the Golf Tournament because she will be playing in it.

Jane Davis reported she won't be able to make the next meeting due to the "Cardinal's Game". A discussion followed.

The Park Board Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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Mark Dickerson, Acting Chairman

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The next Park Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at Bellefontaine Neighbors Recreation Center. Please notify the Recreation Center Staff by calling 867-0700 if you are unable to attend.

**Bellefontaine Neighbors  
Recreation Center Participation**

**March 2017**

Gameroom:	34
Room # 101:	522
Room # 109:	265
Swimmers:	1,283
Gym Use:	707
Racquetball	
# of hours:	13
# of players:	52
Weight Room:	616
<b>Total Participation:</b>	<b>3,492</b>

## **Bellefontaine Neighbors Recreation Center Monthly Totals**

Date: March 2017

Weight Room	\$216.00
Gym Classes	\$959.83
Racquetball	\$65.00
Swim Fees	\$1,188.00
Swim Lessons	\$4,516.75
Room Reservations	\$1,890.00
Park Reservations	\$660.00
Swim Team	\$1,323.50
Van Donation	\$50.00
Snack Bar/Soda	\$250.00
Gym User Fee	\$307.00
I.D. Card/Passes	\$1,915.00
Special Events	\$1,910.00
Miscellaneous	\$47.00
Miniature Golf	\$9.00
Locker Rental	\$ 12.00
Wash Account	\$ (20.00)
Total	\$15,299.08

Check	\$ 3,936.00
Cash	\$ 6,433.00
Visa/MC	\$ 4,690.08
Amex/Disc.	\$ 240.00
Total	\$ 15,299.08

**City of Bellefontaine Neighbors  
Transportation Service Monthly Report  
March 2017**

Medical Appointments	103
Grocery Shopping ( Schnucks, Aldi's, Shop n Save & Riverview Dairy)	40
Banking -US Bank, Regions & Commerce	5
Target/Family Dollar / K-Mart	4
Pharmacy Trips	8
Hair Appointments (Bissell, Masters Touch)	3
Recreation Center (Meetings & Classes)	26
IHOP (3/7)	5
Taxes	4
Post Office/License Office	4
Library	2
Walmart (3/27)	3
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Total Participation	207
Total Number of Residents	50
Total Donations	\$50.00