



Regular & Special Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Trustees Barrett, Cannon, Jenks, Lodge and Koester were present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve by Trustee Barrett, second by Trustee Cannon. Motion passed 4 - 0

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 2nd, 2010

Motion to approve by Trustee Cannon, second by Trustee Barrett. Motion passed 4 – 0

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeff Jackson – Mr. Jackson discussed a past conversation with the Township Trustees that involved the planting of trees as a barrier between Golfland and RVP. Trustee Jenks asked Mr. Jackson to have the respective attorneys talk and authorize the parties to continue to negotiate a solution.

STAFF REPORT

Executive Director – Andy Wildman

- Basketball Commissioner - Alan Varrasso – Mr. Varrasso will be a great fit as the basketball commissioner. He possesses the necessary communication skills as well as a great approach to youth sports. Mr. Varrasso will be a contract employee.

ACTION-ANDY: Be certain that the basketball program is a positive representation for the GRD

ACTION-ANDY: Organize a meeting with Mr. Varrasso and the GEVS high school coach.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Wilson, Shannon and Snow – An invoice for \$5,064 for the 2009 GRC audit.

Motion to approve by Trustee Koester, second by Trustee Cannon. Motion passed 5 – 0

ACTION-ANDY: Investigate further billing and if a Form 990 has been filed.

- b. Check Signer – Contact Huntington Bank seeking appropriate documentation of check signers

ACTION-ANDY: catalog the 2010 resolutions

ACTION-ANDY: work with the bank to get a template for the check signer resolution

- c. Resolution Accepting Amounts and Rates– verification of receipt of funds

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Roll call

Trustee Barrett X Trustee Jenks X Trustee Koester X Trustee Lodge X Trustee Cannon X

OLD BUSINESS

a. Greg Gaber Invoice – Authorization to pay an invoice for \$11,300. No new work will take place until a new contract is drafted.

Motion to approve by Trustee Koester, second by Trustee Lodge. Motion passed 5 – 0

e. 2011 Budget – a draft budget will be submitted to the board of trustees by 10-7-2010

Special Meeting

a. Review the Mission Statement – Trustee Lodge – Consider rewording the mission statement moving forward

b. Agency Prioritization – the following are the new priorities for the staff: (excluding day to day operation)

1 - Needs Assessment
1 – Cost Analysis
2 – Website / Branding
2 – Partner Development
2 – Youth Sports
3 – Policy & Procedures

c. External Review: Comparing and contrasting Barberton, Granville, Groveport and New Albany. Every recreation organization operates and funds their operation in a different manner.

Groveport – No partner with the community center, limited resources a result of a 30% reduction of general fund subsidization, capital projects funded through corporate donations and income tax levy. A large percentage of community center membership base is not Groveport citizens.

New Albany – New Albany is better benchmark for the GRD. Capital projects are funded through bond notes that were passed in 2003 and 2004. Youth sports are administered by parent organized volunteer groups. The recreation district collects a \$20 admin fee and provides the parent association administrative services and structure.

Barberton – Barberton represents two completely different agencies. One era the department focuses on a community center. The other era the department focuses on programs and capital improvements. Youth programs are administered by parent run volunteer organizations, the YMCA and the parks department. The Lake Anna YMCA has made some of the same cuts the parks department made in the early 2000's. There is no "magic" management book. Sound long range planning and wise financial decision making is the key to a sustainable agency.

Alicia Eckhart – "Teen programming is all about teens doing things that adults do, without their parents." Dances, billiards, fitness, arts and sports (with a coach) were all ideas that were discussed. Dr. Eckhart recommends that special program rates be divided, 60% instructor and 40% GRD. Venn Diagram – Everything is on the table pending the information ascertained through the needs assessment.



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d. Needs Assessment – REconomics has proposed a fee of \$19,000 to complete a needs assessment. The plan would include an action plan that can be used for grant applications. The needs assessment will determine if and when we need to complete a survey.

ACTION STRATEGIC PLANNING / ANDY: more definition in the deliverables

ACTION STRATEGIC PLANNING / ANDY: quantifiable information regarding funding and facilities

e. Forging Partnerships – GRD – AC – Lesa and Andy have been reaching out to the Advisory Committee.

ACTION STRATEGIC PLANNING / ANDY: determine a new model to define and engage the Advisory Committee.

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