



Approved:

**MEETING OF  
April 6, 2017**

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR BOYNE CITY  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING HELD AT  
6:00 P.M. AT CITY HALL ON MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2017.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by Chair Sheean at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mike Sheean, Darryl Parish, Lisa Alexander and Mike Doumanian

Absent: Jo Bowman, Hugh Conklin and Tom Smith

**\*\*MOTION**

**Alexander moved, Parish seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY** to excuse the absence of Bowman, Conklin and Smith

**MEETING  
ATTENDANCE**

City Staff: Streets/Parks & Recreation Superintendent Andy Kovolski and Recording Secretary Barb Brooks

Public Present: Three

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES \*\*MOTION**

**Doumanian moved, Alexander seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, a motion approving the March 2, 2017 meeting minutes as presented.

**CITIZENS COMMENTS  
(on non-agenda items)**

Alexa Wright from the Boyne District Library approached the board regarding a couple projects the library would like to implement this summer. They are proposing a "Story Walk" in Old City Park. The project consists of signs (pages out of story book) along the sidewalk starting at the beginning of the book until the end, usually around 12 to 20 signs/pages. The signs would be similar style and size of real estate signs. This would be a seasonal pilot project and if it is well received, the library would like to consider something more permanent. The general consensus of the board was they were supportive of the idea but didn't want to see the project installed until after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Due to the congestion of the duck race and raft race they can see them getting damaged or becoming a hazard. Their second proposal is to install a Planet Walk. This would start near City Hall and progress down the sidewalk along Lake St. to Main St. Sidewalk chalk with a sealer over it would be used to draw the planets on the sidewalk. The goal is to have it installed in June and be on display until the Solar Eclipse event on August 21. The board thought this was a unique project and was also in favor.

**\*\*MOTION**

**Parish moved, Alexander seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY** to recommend the City Commission approve the projects presented by the Boyne District Library with the Story Walk not to be installed until after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

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**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Parks are being prepped for spring/summer opening  
Fitness Trail at the dog park is moving forward  
Latitude 45 is having a Giant bike demo day at Avalanche  
The proposed fishing pier at the end of Water St. will be installed this summer

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**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

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**REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES****Park Inspection Reports -**

- There are trees and branches down at Avalanche on the paths
  - **Dog Park** - The committee's latest fund-raisers brought in over \$800 in donations and are busy planning more activities. They expressed a safety concern over younger children coming to the park unsupervised. Kovolski stated that he would discuss this with the city manager and police chief to see what they think and added if they are misbehaving and causing problems the police should be called at that time. Members of the committee also requested if the dog park could be added to the list of places that are cleaned up during Buff Up Boyne.
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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS  
FY 2017/18 Budget**

Kovolski stated that the budget was recommended to the City Commission with no changes since it was reviewed at the February meeting.

**Parks Brochure / Map**

Brooks reported that she met with Michelle Cortright from Harbor House to discuss the map project. She had hoped to have something to us by our meeting which didn't happen but we should see a proposal within the next few days.

**Board Member Vacancy**

Applications on hand are from Jerry Douglas and Gow Litzenburger. Litzenburger has not been a City resident for a full year but is close. Douglas has served on the board in the past. Kim Evans has also stated that she is interested but has yet to submit an application.

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**NEW BUSINESS****Park Signage**

The board discussed when it is appropriate to allow businesses to advertise on signs in parks and the aesthetics. The general consensus was that board would consider proposed signage and sponsorships as a part of the overall project request review on an individual basis, provide feedback to the applicant and make their recommendations to the City Commission.

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**NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board is scheduled for Thursday, May 4, 2017 at 6 pm at City Hall.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The April 6, 2017 meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

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Barb Brooks, Recording Secretary

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