

**Preston Parks & Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, January 22, 2019  
Preston Town Hall  
7:00 pm**

**Call to Order/Roll Call**

Chairman Antonio Farinha called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm

**Members present:** Antonio Farinha, Dan Coley Gary Deveau, Tom Turner

**Members excused:** Paul LoPresti, Nate Koniecko (resigned), Patricia Jankowski, David Przygoda, David Verhasselt

**Members absent:**

**Also present:** Amy Brosnan, Director, Roberta Charpentier, recorder, Kim Koniecko

*Chairman Farinha seated alternate Roberta Charpentier*

**A motion was made by R. Charpentier and seconded by D. Coley to move PYBSA up next on the Agenda.**

**All in favor. Motion carries.**

**PYBSA**

Chairman Farinha explained that in previous years, the League helped maintain the baseball fields to give back for use of these fields. For the past 4 or 5 years there has not been as much help from the League. There was discussion with PYBSA about replacing the dug outs.

Keith Wucik, President Baseball explained that for the last couple of years they have been trying to raise funds to replace the dugouts.

The price of replacing them is \$10,000 apiece. \$4,000 has been raised so far. The League felt it was a priority to save money for the dugouts rather than spend funds elsewhere on the field.

Chairman Farinha noted that is fine he just was not sure what the League's plans were.

Keith Wucik stated that if some of the material and/or labor were donated it would help to achieve this goal sooner.

Chairman Farinha stated that he will inquire about a possible donation of lumber from a program at Home Depot.

**Acceptance of Meeting Minutes**

November 27, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2019 Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes

**A motion was made by D. Coley and seconded by G. Deveau to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 27, 2018 as presented.**

**All in favor. Motion carries.**

**A motion was made by T. Turner and seconded by R. Charpentier to approve the Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2019 as presented.**

**All in favor. Motion carries.**

**Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report**

**A motion was made by D. Coley and seconded by G. Deveau to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.**

**All in favor. Motion carries.**

**Correspondence Received/Sent Out**

1. Letter received from Board of Finance requesting the Annual Report.
2. Resignation letter received from alternate member Nate Koniecko.
3. Donation request letters have been mailed.

**Unfinished Business:**

None

**Park Maintenance and Development:**

- **General maintenance updates**  
Cameras are working and a car that damaged the fence was caught on tape and the driver was found and is making restitution.

**Finance/Fundraising:**

- **2018 Park Usage**  
A. Brosnan passed out a "white paper" showing funds of \$1,410.00 collected during 2018 for rental of the Pavilion and Fields.  
A. Brosnan noted a total of \$3,400 was made during 2018. \$2,020 had already been deposited.

**A motion was made by D. Coley and seconded by G. Deveau to move \$1410.00 from P&R checking account into P&R savings account.**

**All in favor. Motion carries.**

- **Budget Request 2019-2020**  
Members went over line items and discussed which would need increases.

**A motion was made by G. Deveau and seconded by D. Coley to accept the proposed 2019-2020 Budget.**

**All in favor. Motion carries.**

- **Dodgeball Tournament**  
Saturday March 16<sup>th</sup> at Preston Veteran's Memorial School.

**Community Events:**

- **Tree Lighting – December 1<sup>st</sup>**  
The tree lighting went well. Residents have been very complimentary
- **Fire & Ice**  
This will be held when/if the pond freezes.
- **Community Yard Sale – May 4, 2019**

A. Brosnan stated she noticed on Face Book that several residents were expressing interest in a Community Yard Sale so she put one together. Residents will have the option to hold it at their house and for \$2.00 Parks & Rec. will get their permits filled out, or they can rent space for \$15.00 and have a table outside Preston Plains School.

- **Kids Fishing Derby**  
May 5<sup>th</sup>
- **Preston Palooza**  
Wednesday June 5th

**Programming:**

- **Programs & Activities Update**  
Tai Chi classes  
Line dancing classes  
2 bus trips have been planned  
Looking into hotel pool rental  
Chair Yoga  
Roller skating  
Snow tubing
- **Basketball**  
In process with 10 teams  
High school basketball on Monday nights

**New/Additional Business:**

- **2019 Park/Pavilion Rates**  
Members agreed not to increase the rates.

**Public Comment:**

No Public present

**Adjournment**

**A motion was made by G. Deveau and seconded by T. Turner to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 pm.**

**All in favor. Motion carries.**

Respectfully submitted

Roberta Charpentier