

Kent Parks and Recreation
March 15, 2018
Kent Parks & Recreation Office

Members Present:

Peter Orlando
Kelley Labajetta
Jack Neuzil

Members Absent

Kim Ball
Debbie Smeiles

Staff Present:

John Idone
Nancy Pizzino
Karen Magilavy
Megan Johns
Sam Tuttle

Council Liaison
Gwen Rosenberg

At 5:30 Pete called the meeting to order. Roll was noted. Kim and Debbie had previous engagements. There are a few corrections to the minutes. Canoe Liver should be Canoe Livery and Director Item #5 says "use of the trail" twice in a row. **Kelley moves to accept the minutes and Jack seconded and all were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

Correspondence

Revenue No questions.

Expenditures No questions

PARK REPORT The footers for the new "You Are Here" signs have been installed at the Tannery.

RECREATION REPORT We have over 500 signed up for the Adult Easter Egg Scramble, we are ahead of last year. The Jaycees are sponsoring the youth egg hunt and providing the person to be in the Easter Bunny costume. Megan's first aid and CPR classes were full this weekend. We will have 3 tables at the Davey Expo this year.

DIRECTOR REPORT

1. We have received funding for the CDBG grant of \$10,000 for engineering and design of The Portage Brady's Leap section.
2. Nancy and John met with Kim Rufray of KSU wellness center. They have a strong interest in working with us in the future and playing a larger role in senior programing. We have a great site for a future rec center and encouraged KSU to consider joint development on our site. John suggested outdoor swim activity by the SWRC would be a destination activity. This was just an intro meeting and they will continue to meet.
3. Self-explanatory
4. We were going to install the tot playground last year but the budget was too tight with the Hike and Bike Trail work. The Home Owner Association is very excited to have the playground equipment installed for the younger kids.
5. Self-explanatory
6. The bid for concession and food truck is ready.
7. Kent Engineering is having EDG survey the area where the new bike stair will be installed. Several options will be conceptually designed. We have to find out what easements we will need prior to the grant implementation.
8. The city will be installing way finding signs to direct people to the trails. John has the pictures attached, the Portage Logo will be replaced with Kent Parks and Rec Logo.

At 5:50 the meeting was adjourned.