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Recreation Board Minutes
March 1, 2023.

Roger Carroll - May I have a motion to open the meeting.
Ann Brennan - So move
Tim Bezbatchesenko - Second

Roll Call

Eric Acton - Present
Tim Bezbatchesenko - Present
Ann Brennan - Present
Roger Carroll - Present
Clare Ceballos - Present
Aly DeAngelo - Present
Joanne Pickrell - Present
School Board

Jesica Saad
City Council Representative
Lauren Miller - Bexley Recreation Staff

Roger Carroll - May I have a motion to approved the February minutes
Joanne Pickrell - So moved
Aly DeAngelo - Second
All in favor - The motion is approved.

Mike Price - The Alcohol Framework was passed by City Council with the passage of Resolution 01-23 at the last City Council meeting. Just to review the changes. The exemption for end times on holidays. Removal of the Bexley Resident requirement for the Carriage Court Alcohol event rentals. Removal of the limitations on the number of monthly Carriage Court alcohol event rentals. To modify security provisions to allow for security staff when the Bexley PD can not cover and provide flexibility for Recreation Staff to determine when security is required.

The Alcohol Framework changes have been approved by City Council. The Recreation Board approves policies as related to Jeffrey Mansion rentals. Lauren Miller reviewed our overall rental policies, including the alcohol policy to make the necessary changes to be in line with the new framework. Additionally, there are policy changes that we need approved by the board for implementation.

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Lauren Miller - First change is the time frame that residents and non residents book rentals. Residents can book two years out, non residents eighteen months. Rental rates increase \$500.00 more for non residents. We want to change the rate for Carriage Court on Sundays for alcohol to hourly rate to match the rest of the format. Also to have the option to extend the end time for holiday events. To remove the rule that alcohol events in the Carriage Court can only be held by Bexley residents. Change the wording regarding the security staff. To give us the opportunity to reach another security firm if Bexley PD does not pick up the job. Those are the highlights of the changes made.

Roger Carroll - If you wanted to rent the whole Carriage Court and Jeffrey that would be another \$500.00 ?

Lauren Miller - If you rent the Carriage Court that is \$3,000 for resident and then choose to rent the Jeffrey House that is another \$500.00 to be \$3,500.00 and \$4,000.00 for non residents.

Roger Carroll - May I have a motion to adopt the changes in the Jeffrey Mansion rental policy.

Tim Bezbatchenko - So moved

Aly DeAngelo - Second

All in favor - The motion is approved.

Director's Report

Jeffrey Woods Festival

Mike Price - The Jeffrey Woods Festival will take place this Saturday, March 4 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Pool parking lot. We taped the trees last Saturday. One of the issues with the warm weather is we have not been able to tap as much sap. Some of the activities include maple syrup production, wood chop shop, craft project, a sawmill demonstration, and a blade sharpening service from Yellowwood

The schedule is:

8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Maple Syrup Production

9:00a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Yellowwood Blade Sharpening

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. - Sawmill Demonstration

Year Of the Park Update

Mike Price - We have the Commonwealth Park workshop on Monday, March 6 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. We will focus on reviewing the Commonwealth Park master plan, review the work that has been done as part of the master plan, as well as the pond feature the board has seen and approved. Then we will have a workshop on the initial design for the Columbia Plaza.

COSI Science Festival

Natalie Mullin - In 2019 COSI reached out to multiple communities to host a four day event. COSI had over 30,000 visits to COSI. With Covid things had to be modified.

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It is now moving back to involvement of multiple communities and our involvement will be bigger than it has in the past couple years. It is scheduled for May 3, 4, and 5 here. We are going to schedule activities on those days after school and in the evenings here in Bexley. We are committing to four community events with maximums of 20 to 50 people. We will do a large evening event on Friday, May 5 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. We have a committee for that made up of Capital University, Bexley Schools, CSG and Bexley Public Library. The event is called the Bexley Science Fair Block Party. Everyone will have their own tent or booth and they can bring any activity they want. It is planned to be an interactive science block party. COSI supports all the activities through the week and then everything flips over to COSI on Saturday. The committee is excited since we already had everything planned for 2020 and we will use some of the ideas we already had planned.

We are offering another "You Can To Lab" with the Library . Will work with Blocks Bagels to have an evening activity on "How To Make A Bagel." We will have another "Bee Bop Challenge" with CSG. We will then do a "Food Tour" which was very popular in 2019.

Old Business

New Business

Mike Price - We are having a "Hiring Party" on Saturday, March 4 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Ar the Senior Center. Katie Sarvas - Kevin Smith and Emily Sweet are organizing that. Swim Safe will be representing the pool.

Roger Carroll - May I have a motion to adjourn

Anne Brennan - So moved

Aly DeAngelo - Second

All in favor - The motion is approved.