

Brookville Board of Park Trustees
Regular Meeting
March 14, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Brookville Board of Park Trustees was called to order by President Blevins at 7:30 p.m. on March 14, 2023 in the City Council Chambers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Trustees Cordes and Haney; Manager Keaton and Clerk Duncan were present. Trustee Wilson and Council Liaison Fowler were absent.

Roll call by President Blevins.

President Blevins stated Roger Hoover, Brookville Optimist Club President, would like to be added to the Agenda.

Motion by Haney, second by Cordes to approve the Agenda with an addition. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Cordes, second by Haney to approve the February 14, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Robin Kent, Business Development Coordinator for Brookhaven, stated May 31, 2023 is National Senior Health and Fitness Day and requested permission to hold a Senior Health & Fitness Day at Golden Gate Park on that date from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. The event would include a fitness class, senior self-defense class and blood pressure checks. She would like to invite local businesses, such as Eye Docs and Clear Choice hearing to participate in the event and offer free screenings. Ms. Kent inquired if she would need to secure the \$1,000,000 minimum liability insurance policy mentioned in the Special Event Permit Application?

Manager Keaton replied she will look into this and let her know.

Motion by Haney, second by Cordes to approve the Special Event Permit for Brookhaven to hold a Senior Health and Fitness Day at the Leiber Center in Golden Gate Park on May 31, 2023 from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. All yeas, motion carried.

Ann Stammen, Brookville Baseball Club President, reported there are a record 392 kids signed up to play baseball this year, with 34 teams. They have a 95% retention rate of kids from last year.

Ms. Stammen reported all of the dugouts are now covered and they are still working toward purchasing a batting cage. Opening Day is April 29, 2023 and all 34 teams will play that day.

Roger Hoover, Brookville Optimist Club President, presented a \$1,000 park donation, which includes \$540 from the 50/50 drawing at the Adult Egg Scramble event. The remainder of the donation is from Optimist funds.

President Blevins thanked the Optimist Club for their generous donation, stating the Adult Egg Scramble is a great annual event in our park.

Manager Keaton reported Park Permits are up just shy of \$3,000 compared to this same time last year. Donations are down \$14,850 compared to February of 2022. A generous \$500 donation was recently received from the Brookville Corvette Club.

Manager Keaton reported Ron Chandler will once again be the Adult Softball Manager for 2023. Softball games will begin on Diamonds 1 and 2 during the first week of May.

Manager Keaton reported she entered into a Lease Agreement with Park Caretaker Diana Slade to run the Diamond 1 Concession Stand for the Adult Softball Program.

Manager Keaton reported our Solid Waste Grant Application was approved for recycled rubber mulch for our park playgrounds and we are taking delivery of the mulch soon. The mulch will be installed under all park playground equipment, which is a requirement of our insurance company.

Manager Keaton reminded everyone of the annual Park Cleanup Day, which is scheduled for March 25, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. until noon. The Service Department has already cleaned up a lot of the branches at Ward Park. The rain date for this event will be April 1, 2023. Hot dogs and refreshments will be served following the cleanup in Shelter #3.

Manager Keaton reported she has scheduled the Community Pride Cleanup Supply Trailer, which is sponsored by Montgomery County Solid Waste, for our park cleanup date. The trailer has wheelbarrows and many lawn tools for the volunteers to use.

Manager Keaton reminded everyone of the annual Optimist Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for Saturday, April 8 at 9:00 a.m. sharp, in Golden Gate Park.

Trustee Cordes had no report.

Trustee Haney reported Troop 47 will be hosting an Introduction to Gaga Ball Class on May 8 at 7:00 p.m. in Golden Gate Park, for grades K-5.

President Blevins reported No Bull Pulling contacted him through the Chamber of Commerce regarding holding a yard tractor pull at the Community Picnic. They need a 30' x 100' space that can be tilled up for the event. The area would be re-seeded after the event. The only available space for this would be behind the baseball shelter in the back of Golden Gate Park. President Blevins inquired if Park Board would be interested in allowing this event at the Community Picnic?

Discussion followed. The consensus is to allow No Bull Pulling to hold a lawn tractor pull at the Brookville Community Picnic.

Motion by Haney, second by Cordes to adjourn. All yeas, motion carried.

Kimberly Duncan, Clerk

Adam Blevins, President