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**PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
November 7, 2022**

**Call to Order:** Glen Schumitz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
**Present:** Christine Bavone, Jason Opotzner and Erik Guerra

**Absent:** Greg Baktis, Jennifer Mahmood and Jennifer Wolyniec

**Staff:** Kyra Nesteriak

**Amendment to the Agenda:** None

**Audience of Citizens:**

Joe Lanier, teacher at Oxford High School and moderator for the Make a Difference Club, updated the Commission on the project at Victory Memorial Park that they are doing. The kids worked with the American Legion to help to beautify the park by planting 1,000 daffodils in the shape of a V.

**Review and Approval of Minutes:** Reviewed meeting minutes dated 8/22/22

**MOTION:** by Christine Bavone to approve the 8/22/22 Regular Meeting minutes.  
Second by Jay Opotzner. 3 Ayes and 1 Abstain.

**Treasurer's Report:** Reviewed appropriation summary as of 11/7/22

**MOTION:** Glen Schumitz moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Second by Christine Bavone. Motion unanimously approved.

**Director's Report:**

**Current Adult Programs**

- Yoga
- Zumba
- PiYo
- Barre
- Volleyball (women's and co-ed)
- Adult Co-ed Softball
- Open Swim

**Current Kids Programs**

- Yoga
- Open Swim
- Swim Lessons
- Otters Swim Team

- Little League Softball
- Babe Ruth Baseball
- Pop Warner Football & Cheer
- Flag Football
- Soccer
- GOES - Jail Ball
- GOES - Boot Camp
- GOES - Art Classes
- Annex – Toddler Messy Art Class

#### **Fall/Winter Programs**

- Youth Basketball
- Men's Over 30 Basketball
- GOES – Minds in Motion Build a Robot
- QFS –Minds in Motion Potions
- QFS – Playwell Technology Lego Engineering
- Annex - Christmas Week – cooking class

#### **Parks/Maintenance Update**

##### **Jackson Cove Pavilion**

- A support pillar that had sunk down 2 inches was lifted so the roof is now aligned. The crack in the concrete floor was filled.

##### **Lily Park**

- Equipment on site. To be installed end of November/beginning of December.

##### **Ryan's Courts**

- Had some lights out. Replaced all with LED's.

#### **Trick or Trunk**

- 65 cars
- 30 pumpkins

#### **Upcoming Events**

- Turkey Shoot – November 16<sup>th</sup>
- Tree Lighting – December 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Lights Fight – December 16<sup>th</sup> (judging)

#### **Oxford Open Space and ARPA Funds Advisory Board**

- The Parks & Recreation Department submitted a letter to this Board asking for funds for AED's for Jackson Cove Park and Summer Camp that is held at the Community Chapel. The letter also requested funds for the installation cost for the broken playground equipment at Lily Park.

**Misc.**

- Oxford Basketball League donated a scoreboard to the Great Oak Elementary School gym as that the previous one no longer worked.
- The Parks & Recreation Department and the Co-Ed Volleyball League purchased a new net system. The Oxford Middle School physical education classes and volleyball team will still be allowed to utilize this system. We also had to repair the coupling in the floor so that the net would stand correctly.
- The Parks & Recreation Department was required to send a letter to the Superintendent of Schools asking for permission for these donations. This item is on the Board of Education Agenda for 11/8/22.

**Social Media Report:**

All posts were related to Trick or Trunk. Some thought that due to this event the traditional trick or treating turnout in neighborhoods was lower than usual. In addition, there were posts that this event should be modified to allow people to attend without decorating their trunk or handing out candy and that participants should be able to leave when they wanted and not have to wait for the event to conclude. Lastly, there were posts that this event should be held on a weekend afternoon instead.

**Other Business:** None

**Adjournment:**

**MOTION:** Glen Schumitz moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Second by Christine Bavone. Motion unanimously approved.

FILED SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

Respectfully submitted,



Kyra Nesteriak  
Director Parks & Recreation

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TOWN CLERK  
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