



**CITY OF BLOOMINGTON  
parks and recreation**

**AGENDA**

City of Bloomington Board of Park Commissioners  
Regular Meeting: Tuesday, January 24, 2012 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Council Chambers  
401 North Morton

**CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL**

**A. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A-1. Approval of Minutes of December 13, 2011
- A-2. Approval of Claims Submitted December 14, 2011 – January 23, 2012
- A-3. Approval of Non-Reverting Budget Amendments
- A-4. Review of Business Report

**B. PUBLIC HEARINGS/APPEARANCES**

- B-1. Public Comment Period -
- B-2. Bravo Award -
- B-3. Parks Partner Award - Parks Partner Award -
- B-4. Staff Introductions - Josh Powell, Intern Recreation & Sports Division  
- Hanna Huff, Intern Community Events  
- Eric , Intern Sports Division  
- Jason Sims, Golf Programs Coordinator
- B-5. Staff Recognition -

**C. OTHER BUSINESS**

- C-1. Review/Approval of Resolution 12-01 to Appropriate the 2012 Non-Reverting Funds (Mick Renneisen)
- C-2. Review/Approval of Resolution 12-02 to Appoint Parks & Recreation Director (Mick Renneisen)
- C-3. Review/Approval of TLRC Fee Change for Non-Member Personal Trainer Services (Lindsay Buuck)
- C-4. Review/Approval of Partnership Agreement with Bloomington Blades Youth Hockey (Dee Tuttle)
- C-5. Review/Approval of Partnership Agreement with Bloomington Blades High School (Dee Tuttle)
- C-6. Review/Approval of Partnership Agreement with Bloomington Figure Skating Club (Dee Tuttle)
- C-7. Review/Approval of Partnership Agreement with Mother Hubbard's Cupboard (Robin Hobson)
- C-8. Review/Approval of Partnership Agreement with Hilltop Garden & Nature Center (Bev Johnson)

**D. REPORTS**

- D-1. Operations Division -
- D-2. Sports Division -
- D-3. Recreation Division -
- D-4. Administration Division -

**ADJOURNMENT**



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**02/28/2012**

Board of Park Commissioners  
Regular Meeting  
Minutes

Tuesday, January 24, 2012  
4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Council Chambers  
401 N. Morton St.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Carter at 4:00 p.m.

**Board Present:** John Carter, Les Coyne, Joe Hoffmann

**Board Absent:** Jane St. John

**Staff Present:** Mick Renneisen, Judy Seigle, Lindsay Buuck, Lysnie Haag, Dee Tuttle, Julie Ramey, Becky Higgins, Robin Hobson, Ellen Campbell, Paula McDevitt, John Turnbull, Michael Simmons

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Mr. Hoffmann made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Mr. Coyne seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

**B. PUBLIC HEARINGS/APPEARANCES**

**B-1. Public Comment Period**

Mr. Renneisen announced that the department will host the Indiana Parks and Recreation Association (IPRA) state conference in 2013. The conference will be held January 16-18 at the Convention Center. The department will once again partner with the Indiana University Department of Recreation, Parks, and Tourism Studies, Eppley Institute, and the Bloomington/Monroe County CVB to host this event.

Mr. Carter congratulated Mr. Renneisen on his recent achievement of Outstanding Professional of the Year through the IPRA organization. He stated that Mr. Renneisen is the outstanding professional EVERY year, not just in 2011!

Mr. Renneisen stated that Ms. Buuck and Hannah Laughlin also received an award at IPRA for their GOAL program.

Mr. Hoffmann stated that the steering committee meeting for the Switchyard Master Plan project was very successful. He will report back to the Board regularly to keep them informed on the process.

**B-2. Bravo Award – None this month**

**B-3. Parks Partner Award – None this month**

**B-4. Staff Introductions – Josh Powell, Hanna Huff, Aric Kennedy, Jason Sims**

Josh Powell introduced himself to the Board and stated that he is completing his internship this semester in both the Recreation and Sports divisions. He has been a recreation practitioner for the past four years in two different departments in eastern North Carolina and he plans to put that experience to work while fulfilling his internship. The first half of his internship will be spent with the community events division and the second half will consist of working in the sports division, assisting Mr. Turnbull and his staff with the day-to-day operations of the sports programs in Bloomington. He will graduate in May from the University of North Carolina – Wilmington through the School of Health and Applied Human Science with a BA in Recreation and Parks Management and concentration in Public and Non-Profit Recreation. After graduating, he hopes to gain a full-time position as a recreation practitioner, hopefully, in North Carolina.

Hanna Huff introduced herself to the Board and stated that she is a senior pursuing a Journalism degree with a focus in Public Relations and a minor in Tourism Management. She plans to graduate in May of 2013. After graduation, she hopes to work within the hospitality and event planning industry and eventually own an event planning firm. She will be working within the Community Events division helping with events such as 60 Seconds to Win and the Egg Scramble. Aric Kennedy addressed the Board and stated that, originally from Evansville, he is currently a Senior at Indiana University in the recreational sports management program in the School of Public Health. He plans to graduate in May 2012. Following graduation he hopes to pursue a career doing something in either professional or amateur sports. He feels his internship will offer him many opportunities to grow and feels the department has an excellent reputation in the state.

Mr. Turnbull addressed the Board and stated that Jason Sims recently accepted the position of Program Coordinator at the Cascades Golf Course. He stated that 34 applications were received and eight candidates were interviewed. Mr. Sims attended Franklin College and received a degree in Recreation. He has been on the staff at the golf course as a seasonal part-time employee for the past five years and has done an excellent job. He is currently working attaining his Class A Professional Certification through the Professional Golfing Association.

**C. OTHER BUSINESS**

**C-1. Review/Approval of Resolution 12-01 to Appropriate the 2012 Non-Reverting Funds**

Mr. Renneisen stated that this is a statutory requirement that the Board approve the non-reverting budget in the form of a resolution. The Board initially approved the budget in July 2011 during the budget process. However, this resolution breaks down the budget by program area and serves at the legal non-reverting budget. The total 2012 non-reverting budget is as follows:

Administration	\$ 28,500
Health & Wellness Grant	2,153
Aquatics	85,016
Frank Southern Ice Arena	69,474
Golf Services	131,080
Natural Resources	43,095
Youth Services	181,629
Twin Lakes Recreation Center	951,238
Bloomington Adult Community Center	13,183
Community Events	81,356
Adult Sports	232,092
Youth Sports	34,468
Benjamin Banneker Community Center	57,049
Adult Services	59,329
Inclusive Recreation	1,020
Operations	27,229
Urban Forestry	<u>2,050</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,999,961</b>

The Non-Reverting Fund is made up of user fees and other fees that are not part of the tax base. These funds do not revert back to the General Fund at the end of the year like the General Fund balances do. The fund must maintain a positive

balance. He also stated that these fees help reduce the department’s reliance on tax dollars. Over \$3 million dollars per year is generated by the department in both Non-Reverting and General Fund dollars.

Mr. Coyne stated that this funding level is somewhat unique in the state of Indiana and is and is a testament to quality of programs offered by the department.

Mr. Hoffmann made a motion to approve Resolution 12-01 appropriating the Non-Reverting expenditures for 2012. Mr. Coyne seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

C-2. Review/Approval of Resolution 12-02 to Appoint Parks & Recreation Director

Mr. Renneisen stated that the appointment of the director is required every mayoral election year. Mayor Kruzan has requested that the Board approve his appointment of Mr. Renneisen as the director of Parks and Recreation.

Mr. Hoffmann made a motion to approve Resolution 12-02 to appoint Mick Renneisen as Director of the Parks and Recreation Department.

C-3. Review/Approval of TLRC Fee Change for Non-Member Personal Trainer Services

Ms. Buuck addressed the Board seeking approval of the non-member personal trainer services at the TLRC. She stated that personal training has been very successful in the past 2 ½ years. The department offers certified, educated, and experienced trainers on staff who have made a difference in over 100 of the TLRC members’ lives. Staff would like to offer personal training services to the entire community and not limit it to TLRC members. The proposed non-member rates are based on the current member rates, plus the pro-rated value of a membership for the allotted numbers of weeks per package. Non-members will only be allowed to work out in the TLRC with their trainer or may also purchase a day pass to workout on their own. If a non-member becomes a member during their training period, the member rates will apply once the non-member training package is complete. Proposed rates are as follows:

<b>Member Rates</b>		<b>Non-Member Rates</b>	
<b>Package Type</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>Package Type</b>	<b>Price</b>
3	\$130	3	\$155
5	\$210	5	\$240
10	\$400	10	\$440
15	\$525	15	\$585
20	\$650	20	\$725
25	\$775	25	\$895
5 Buddy (2 people)	\$400	5 Buddy (2 people)	\$460
5 Group (3-5 people)	\$500	5 Group (3-5 people)	\$620

Mr. Hoffmann made a motion to approve the non-member personal trainer services rates. Mr. Coyne seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

C-4. Review/Approval of Partnership Agreement with Bloomington Blades Youth Hockey

Ms. Tuttle addressed the Board seeking approval of the partnership agreement with Bloomington Blades Youth Hockey. This is the travel program that practices at the FSC and plays home games at the FSC. It is for players between the ages of 7 and 12 years old. There are three travel teams: Mites, Squirts, and the Pee Wees. The program is open to all Blades/House hockey players. The only change to this year’s partnership agreement is the updated prices from the 2011-2012 Price Schedule.

Mr. Hoffmann suggested one change to the verbiage in section 5.9. He suggested changing *However*, pursuant to Bloomington Municipal Code... to *In addition*, pursuant to Bloomington Municipal Code... This change should be made in all of the partnership agreements.

Mr. Hoffmann made a motion to approve the partnership agreement with Bloomington Blades Youth Hockey with the discussed change to section 5.9. Mr. Coyne seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

C-5. Review/Approval of Partnership Agreement with Bloomington Blades High School Hockey

Ms. Tuttle addressed the Board seeking approval of the partnership agreement with Bloomington Blades High School Hockey. This program is open to all Bloomington community and surrounding area players. The only change to this year's partnership agreement is the updated prices from the 2011-2012 Price Schedule.

Mr. Hoffmann made a motion to approve the partnership agreement with Bloomington Blades High School Hockey with the discussed change to section 5.9. Mr. Coyne seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Tuttle introduced the President of the Bloomington Blades Youth Hockey Association, Kathleen Oliver. Ms. Oliver addressed the Board and stated that this is a great town in which to play hockey. She feels the facility and the ice programs have come a long way in the past several years and it has brought a lot of pride to the community and the programs. She credited Ms. Tuttle for her continued commitment to cleanliness of the facility, customer service and their commitment to quality programs. The group is very appreciative to be able to rent the facility at very reasonable fees and this allows the group to offer assistance to children that might not be able to afford the hockey programs. Fundraisers are a big part of her duties! She also stated that all participants are required to register with USA Hockey will provides liability insurance for the participants. The group continues to grow and hopes to grow to even larger numbers and make the community proud. There are currently about 60 players in the organization. The high school group has about 18 players from about four different counties. They play in the Hoosier League against other teams within the state.

Mr. Renneisen thanked Ms. Oliver for her compliments and for acknowledging the efforts that staff, especially Ms. Tuttle and her staff, have made in recent years at the rink. As a successful business owner, Ms. Oliver knows the importance of quality products and customer service. He also thanked the Olivers for their fundraising efforts as they have put much of their own time and resources into making this program so successful.

C-6. Review/Approval of Partnership Agreement with Bloomington Figure Skating Club

Ms. Tuttle addressed the Board seeking approval of the partnership agreement with Bloomington Figure Skating Club. This group provides opportunities for the Bloomington community to participate in a diverse figure skating program for individuals interested in enhancing his/her skills in the sport. The only change to this year's partnership agreement is the updated prices from the 2011-2012 Price Schedule.

Mr. Hoffmann made a motion to approve the partnership agreement with Bloomington Figure Skating Club with the discussed change to section 5.9. Mr. Coyne seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Coyne reminded the public that there is scholarship assistance available through the Parks Foundation for many of the programs at Frank Southern Ice Arena.

C-7. Review/Approval of Partnership Agreement with Mother Hubbard's Cupboard

Ms. Hobson addressed the Board seeking approval of the partnership agreement with Mother Hubbard's Cupboard for the purpose of continuing to manage educational, community gardening programs at Ernest D. Butler Park Community Gardens, Crestmont Park Community Gardens, and Benjamin Banneker Community Center. A change was made to this agreement since last year. This year the agreement is written as a rental agreement. Last year, during the first season of MCH activities at the community gardens, MHC constructed a 16'x30' hoop house to start plants for its community gardening programs and for gardening classes. Also a 30'x50' square foot area of raised beds were established and remediated to establish higher fertility through cover cropping methods and organic soil amendments. This garden space will be utilized in 2012 per the partnership agreement and allows community garden opportunities for low-income Bloomington residents. Ms. Hobson introduced Stephanie Soloman, Garden Coordinator with Mother Hubbard's Cupboard.

Ms. Soloman addressed the Board and stated that Mother Hubbard’s Cupboard addresses food security through their garden and education programs. They are proud to offer more than just food assistance, by offering garden programs, nutrition, preparation, and educational programs. This can only be achieved with the partnerships such as this one that can offer the educational components and garden space to low-income individuals. To learn more about upcoming classes and programs, please e-mail Ms. Soloman at [stephanie@mhcfoodpantry.org](mailto:stephanie@mhcfoodpantry.org) or check out their website at [mhcfoodpantry.org](http://mhcfoodpantry.org).

Ms. Hobson added that working with Mother Hubbard’s Cupboard has been a very collaborative effort and all staff members feel like they support each other in their gardening efforts.

Mr. Hoffmann made a motion to approve the partnership agreement with Mother Hubbard’s Cupboard. Mr. Coyne seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

C-8. Review/Approval of Partnership Agreement with Hilltop Garden & Nature Center

Mr. Simmons addressed the Board seeking approval of the partnership agreement with Hilltop Garden & Nature Center. He stated that this is the first year for this partnership to provide affordable, educational, and fun gardening classes for all ages. The department has offered gardening classes for years through People’s University, and now having access to a “hands-on” facility, will enrich this experience for all participants. Gardening classes for preschool and adults will be held at Hilltop Gardens and together the Bloomington community can experience gardening in a new way!

Ms. McDevitt added that this partnership agreement is in addition to the partnership agreement with Kid City camps at Hilltop Gardens.

Mr. Hoffmann made a motion to approve the partnership agreement with Hilltop Garden and Nature Center for preschool and People’s University Classes. Mr. Coyne seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

**D. REPORTS**

D-1. Operations Division – No Report

D-2. Administrative Division – No Report

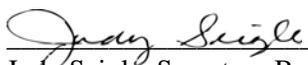
D-3. Recreation Division – No Report

D-4. Sports Division – No Report

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Judy Seigle, Secretary Board of Park Commissioners