

**Alliance City Board of Park Commissioners minutes for the Board Meeting held on
June 22, 2023**

The Alliance City Board of Park Commissioners had their regular monthly meeting on June 22, 2023

Harry Paidas called to order at 2:30 pm, declared a quorum present. Roll call was as follows:

Aaron Hill Yes
Jennifer Mastroianni Yes
Harry Paidas Yes

Staff members present were Kim Cox, Chris Zufall, Kyle Grove and Jennifer Baxter

Aaron Hill made a motion to accept and approve the minutes for May 24, 2023. Jennifer Mastroianni seconded. Roll call, all in favor, motion carried.

Communications:

- Letters addressed to the board - None
- Memorandum from - None
- Minutes of any sub-committee meetings- None

Administrative Reports:

Silver Park & Butler Rodman:

- Kyle Grove presented the report and it was entered into the minutes

Cemetery:

- Kyle Grove presented the report and it was entered into the minutes

Athletic Fields- Recreation:

- Chris Zufall presented the report and it was entered into the minutes

General Administration:

- Kim Cox presented her report and it was entered into the minutes

Public Hearing: None

Public Speaks: Joe Grabiell from Alliance reaching out regarding giving a former employee recognition for his services and his craftsmanship.

- In the early 60s Joe's father was Santa Claus at the Log Cabin for Mr. Kidwell and in the summer of 1975, Joe worked for Mr. Flaherty at the Parks and Butler Rodman was brand new then. Joe got to meet an employee Amando Colozzi (he wasn't sure of the spelling) who was hired by Mr. Kidwell specifically because he was a stone cutter from Italy. Amando built the garage and the 1st gazebo at Silver Park & Butler Rodman. He also did the wood railing on the old bridges that since has been replaced. People remembered him for the beautiful hedge work he did by hand along Union down to the band stand. The hedges went away when he retired. He was very old school and barely spoke English. If anything needed done Amando was your guy.

- Harry Paidas replied that the Park Board does have a policy for naming rights of any major buildings, but possibly maybe an area they can name it. Jennifer M. asked if he could locate some of his relatives and possibly getting a photo of Amando. The Board thinks it would be great to check into the history and see when and how long he was employed at the Parks.

Resolutions: 2-23: Requesting approval for electrical work at Butler Rodman for the ball field lights and not to exceed \$38,400.

- Chris Zufall stated that the electric went out last year and they need to start this work. It will cost \$7,600 for Pauli Electric to oversee it and we chose them because they have been involved from day one and know the work. The estimate for the wiring will be less than the quote of \$30,792. Jennifer M. asked where the funds will be coming from and Chris replied the master capital funds.
 - Jennifer Mastroianni e a motion to approve the electrical work at Butler and not to exceed the cost of \$38,400. Aaron Hill seconded. Roll call, all in favor, motion carried.

Readings: None

New Business:

- Jennifer M. asked if we could get an 8' banner with our decal for all the events celebrating the Parks 100th birthday. Kim will contact Carter's and order one.
- Kim Cox received a request from Brothers of the Hammer to hold a Free community picnic slated for Sunday July 16th from 3-7 at Snodgrass Park.
 - Jennifer Mastroianni made a motion to approve this event. Aaron Hill seconded. Roll call, all in favor, motion carried.
- Kim Cox received a request to allow Rescue 343-2-911 Memorial organization to film a promotional video. They are a 501©3 business. They would like to film around Memorial Park, they will also be singing the national anthem. Their idea is to have the local Fire Dept., Police Dept, and various civilians dressed in their attire of their job. The theme name will be "Coming Together"
 - Jennifer Mastroianni made a motion to approve. Aaron Hill seconded. Roll call, all in favor, motion carried.
- Jennifer Baxter introduced the new online registration and credit card machine information. It will be allianceparks.recdesk.com. We are looking to purchase the Clover mini and absorbing all extra costs for the 3% flat fee.
 - Aaron Hill made a motion to purchase this device and for the city to absorb all extra credit card fees. Jennifer Mastroianni seconded. Roll call, all in favor, motion carried
- Kim Cox received a thank you card from Pam Hanke giving accolades to the park staff and crew for keeping things in order at Silver Park, her daughter has a memorial tree in the area and it looks really nice. Kim Cox wanted to give a huge

thank you to Dan Dycus and his crew for all their hard work at Memorial Park and making it come alive with the disc golf and the creek clean up. The park is looking amazing with the new pump track, skate park and disc golf updates. Hopefully soon they will be able to add turf where the grass is on the pump track.

- Jennifer M. commented that maybe putting a road sign up with everything that's included at Memorial Park. Kim C. replied that once all the signs are finished, they will be seen from the State Street.

Old Business: Kim gave an update regarding the flag football fundraiser

- The fundraiser will be held on July 8, 2023 at Maple Beach. There will be live music, free food, 50/50 raffle and cash prizes given out for 1st & 2nd place. This event is for funding of team uniforms and they will be donating money to Friends of the Parks. Harry Paidas asked what our policy is for these events; Kim replied must be a non-profit organization, donation to Friends of the Parks, not making any money and it's a case-by-case approval. Chris Zufall added that they will want us to use the Park crew and line the fields. Harry P. doesn't see it being a problem and as long as they have their own insurance for the event.
 - Jennifer Mastroianni made a motion to approve this event. Aaron Hill seconded. Roll call, all in favor, motion carried.

Travel Requests: None

Disbursements: Expense spreadsheet from Jan. 1, 2023 – June 22, 2023

Employment: New hires: Neely Gruver

Re-Hires: Jacob Craig

- Harry P asked if these were seasonals and Kim replied they are lifeguards and Neely G. is 15yrs old and has a work permit.

Other or Miscellaneous Business:

- Harry Paidas stated that Sid Zufall and the Mayor has met and are raising funds to put cement concrete pads in at Memorial Park for WWI memorials. The Park Board or Kim Cox and staff has not been contacted with any details. Harry P. would like this to be a Park Board approval and to know what their plans are. Harry added that there is already a WWI memorial on campus at the University of Mount Union and doesn't believe we need two of them in the city.
- Jennifer M. replied that maybe the Park board needs to schedule a meeting with Sid and the Mayor to address this issue before it gets out of hand. Harry P. said he may be proactive and send a letter to Sid Zufall regarding this and that nothing can be done until approval from Park Board.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, July 20, 2023, 2:30 pm at Silver Park Office

Adjournment: Jennifer Mastroianni made a motion to adjourn, Aaron Hill seconded, all in favor and meeting was adjourned at 3:33 pm

Executive Session



HARRY PAIDAS, President



JENNIFER MASTROIANNI, Vice President