

**PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**  
**MEETING MINUTES – October 16, 2019**

**PRESENT:** Jake Chesnutt, Marc Siegel, Betty Sonneveldt, Kristen Weaver, Michael Lee, Lola Skolnik, and Lance Beasley, Ric Gordon

**Staff:** Greg Varda, Acting Director of Recreation Programs  
Cathryn Pracht, Administrative Assistant

**Excused:** Les Whitmer, Mayor Jordan

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Meeting called to order at 7:34pm by Chair, Jake Chesnutt.

September minutes were approved.

**New Business:** An inquiry was made in regards to the lack of attendance by the Council Liaison at PRAB meetings. It was decided to table this issue pending the upcoming city election.

**Lake Park Masterplan:** The question was asked, “Now that the Sustainable Land Care Policy has been approved, how would PRAB like to proceed with the design of Buddy Attick Lake Park (BALP) Masterplan?” After discussion, PRAB recommends hiring a consultant to prepare a masterplan for BALP. PRAB will make a formal recommendation to fund a consultant in the FY 21 Budget.

**Park Signage:** This may fall under the Masterplan, PRAB recommends tabling this until completion of the parking lot at Buddy Attick Park.

**Firefly Sanctuary:** Ms. Cantor submitted a document to PRAB for informational purposes only. Council has accepted PRAB’s recommendation for Ms. Cantor to provide more research.

**Buddy Attick Lake Park Dam Update:** A temporary retaining wall has been put in place in case there is a substantial amount of rain. The lake was drained 15 feet in order to place a slab 10 feet below the bottom of the spillway. Aerators have been placed in portions of the lake to support the aquatic life. Inquiries have been made regarding a city sponsored clean-up of the lake while the water level is down. The lake path will close from October 28th thru November 11<sup>th</sup> to work on the bridge and the spillway area.

**Recreation Updates:-GregVarda**

**Springhill Lake Computer Lab:** Paradyme Management Company has donated 10 new laptops. Our coordinators at SHLRC, Brian Butler and Frank Jones are doing a great job with students and usage of the laptops.

**Department activities:**

- February will be a full month of entertainment and shows highlighting Black History month, coordinated by the Black History Month Committee. Once a program is solidified PRAB will receive a copy.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 20, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

Respectfully Submitted by: Cathy Pracht, Administrative Assistant