

CITY OF BERLIN PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES for WEDNESDAY APRIL 2, 2024

4:30 PM COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BERLIN CITY HALL, 2ND FLOOR

1. Call to Order/ Roll Call:

Present: Commissioner: Victoria Hill, Vice President: Bruce Tetzke, Secretary: Kayla Reeves, Tim Bending, Bobbie Erdmann, Staff: Scott Zabel, Council Liaison Catrina Burgess

2. General Public Comments:

None

3. Approval of MARCH 17, 2025 Meeting Minutes:

On a motion made by B. Erdmann and a second by B. Tetzke, the March 17th Meeting minutes were approved.

4. Dakota Miller Kid to Kid Sale at Nathan Strong Park Request – May 10th, 2025

On a motion by B. Erdmann and a second by K. Reeves, the Parks & Recreation Commission approved Dakota Miller's request to hold the Kid to Kid sale at Nathan Strong Park on May 10, 2025.

5. Donkey Baseball hosted by St. John's Lutheran Church & School Request Sept. 6 or Sept. 13, 2025 at 1pm

Rachel Berry & Melissa Lane of St. John's Lutheran Church & School appeared and spoke about the nature of the event, explaining it will be a fundraiser for a new roof over the older portion of the school. The commission asked what diamond would be used, S. Zabel stating south diamond would be best and is available.

R. Berry explained the equipment needed, clean up process and addressed any damage concerns. The church/ school will be handling all raking, clean up and will leave the diamond and property in the same condition they found it in.

On a motion by K. Reeves, and second by B. Tetzke, the commission approved the request for Donkey Baseball, hosted by St. John's Church & School, on September 6 or September 13, 2025.

On a motion by K. Reeves, and second by B. Tetzke, the above motion was amended to state that either date could be used for a rain date. Motion carried.

6. Friends of the Berlin Aquatic Center Update

FOBAC is in the process of securing a raffle license to support upcoming fundraising initiatives. The group has also requested information and ticket sales data from staff pertaining to the previous year's pool revenue, in an effort to explore strategies for increasing future revenue. Additionally, FOBAC is awaiting a response from staff regarding legal restrictions related to the disbursement of project funds.

7. Appointment of Officers for a term ending April 2026

V. Hill declined reappointment and resigned from the Parks & Recreation Commission.

T. Bending accepted reappointment to the Parks & Recreation Commission.

With unanimous votes, the following positions were appointed for a one-year term ending April 2026:

Commissioner: Kayla Reeves (formerly Secretary)

Secretary: Tim Bending

8. NEW BUSINESS

N/A

9. OLD BUSINESS

B. Erdmann requested an update on the bathroom project at Nathan Strong Park at next months meeting.

10. ADJOURN

On a motion made by B. Erdmann and a second by B. Tetzke, the meeting was adjourned.

-Respectfully submitted by K. Reeves