

President Riley called the Cresco Park and Recreation meeting to order on 12-9-2020, at 5:31 pm at the Cresco Fitness Center (CFC). Board Members Denner, Ernst, and O'Brien were present. Herold was absent.

Also Present: Bill Caffrey, Rick McCarville, and Dave Brenno.

O'Brien made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the approval of the: agenda; claims and minutes of the November 2020 meeting. Denner seconded and it passed all ayes.

Council Report: Accidentally left on from last month. - No discussion.

Bill reported on Parks: East Park Bleachers project has begun. Need to start thinking about landscaping. Sent another blast regarding the fundraiser. Going strong currently around \$50,000 in pledges.

Briefly discussed adding "official" parking at East Park - Bill will follow up with.

Ice Rink is ready to be filled when we have enough consecutive cold days. Changed lights to all motion detected and LED. With the light change - people will be able to go more frequently if they have their own skates.

Bill reported on Recreation: Boys and Girls Basketball has been given the okay to resume pre the Governor's new proclamation. Once official confirmation is received, they will notify families of what the plans are. Will more than likely resume with the original plan: 3-4 grade one night, 5-6 grade the other night and break them into pods based on age.

Rick reported on Fitness Center: Down 100 members - lowest enrollment ever. Budget low - lost roughly \$20,000 from admissions - reviewed data from previous years - almost half the amount of daily check-ins.

Covid-19 issues: No major concerns. Will continue to maintain proper safety protocols and state laws. Will discuss hours next month.

Fitness Equipment: Still working on quotes on purchasing vs leasing. Would like reps to visit with the board.

Employees: Rick is officially retiring January 15. Board needs to determine how they want to proceed and submit a proposal to City Council. Kris as President, will follow up with Michelle Girolamo regarding proper protocols/procedures.

Other Business: Bill's retirement plan: Can retire in August - but willing to assist until November.

Riley, Park Board President asked for comments from the audience: ---

O'Brien moved to adjourn at 6:13 pm. Denner seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco Park and Rec meeting is scheduled for January 13 at 5:30 pm at CFC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly O'Brien, Board Secretary

President Riley called the Cresco Park and Recreation meeting to order on 11-11-2020, at 5:31 pm at the Cresco Fitness Center (CFC). Board Members Denner, Herold, and O'Brien were present. Ernst was absent.

Also Present: Bill Caffrey, Rick McCarville, and Wendy Bohr.

Herold made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the approval of the: agenda; claims and minutes of the October 2020 meeting. O'Brien seconded and it passed all ayes.

Bill reported: Gave yearly report to City Council. It went well. Talked about budget, completed projects, future projects and wishlist.

Bill reported on Parks: East Park Bleachers foundation and concrete has been started. Fundraiser is going strong; roughly \$48,500 in pledges.

Robby Ollendieck is looking to build Dugouts at Kessel park as an Eagle Scout project. Ideally will mimic Evans Park. Needs to get concrete poured. Will apply for Howard County Community Foundation grant.

Bill reported on Recreation: Boys and Girls Basketball currently has 63 registered. Will continue with having the program, but will be making modifications. Bill will send an update in a week or so once figured out: will have boys one night, girls the other night and break them into pods based on age.

Rick reported on Fitness Center: Down 12 members.

Covid-19 issues: Will continue to maintain proper safety protocols and state laws.

Mandating a mask in common areas. Wendy will get masks to hand out if needed.

Check-in Computer: Has been updated and works great.

WiFi/Phones: Have two quotes on package deals to update cameras, phones, security and WiFi. Board agreed; if we're going to do it, be thorough and do it all now. Selected Proposal 1: \$5750.00. Will use estate money to cover.

Pool Acoustics: Rick got a quote from the same company that did Kessel Lodge: \$40,172. Would be able to complete Jan/Feb and would not need to close the pool. Board has questions Rick will follow up with before the Board decides to proceed.

Employees: O'Brien made the motion to rehire Chloe Rice and David Meinecke as lifeguards. Riley seconded and it passed all ayes.

Other Business: Scott Thomson would like to begin Splash Pad/Pool renovation talks again early spring.

Rick is still working on what's better for new fitness equipment - buying or leasing.

Riley, Park Board President asked for comments from the audience: ---

Riley moved to adjourn at 6:26 pm. Denner seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco Park and Rec meeting will be December 9 at 5:30 pm at CFC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly O'Brien, Board Secretary

President Riley called the Cresco Park and Recreation meeting to order on 10-14-2020, at 5:35 pm at the Cresco Fitness Center (CFC). Board Members Denner, Ernst, Herold, and O'Brien were present.

Also Present: Bill Caffrey, Rick McCarville, and Dave Brenno.

O'Brien made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the approval of the: agenda; claims and minutes of the September 2020 meeting. Herold seconded and it passed all ayes.

Bill reported: East Park Bleachers foundation and concrete will be done this fall.
Fundraiser is going strong; roughly \$45,000 in pledges.
Bill reported: Fall Recreation going well. Will be wrapping up in the next couple weeks.
Will send a survey out to football participants to gather feedback on flag vs tackle.
Basketball starts November 16.
Rick reported: Down 50 from last year.
Covid-19 issues: No major concerns. Will continue to maintain proper safety protocols.
WiFi/Phones: Getting quotes on package deals to update cameras, computers and to have better security systems.
FC Hours: Updating hours: Monday - Thursday: 5am-8pm
Friday: 5am-8pm
Saturday: 5am-4pm
Sunday: 1-6pm
Employees: O'Brien made the motion to rehire Derek Grube part-time at \$9.50. Denner seconded and it passed all ayes. Derek needs to renew his lifeguard certification.
Halloween: Trunk or Treating will happen from 3-5pm. Will follow Covid protocols.
Storm Sewer: Should be happening any day now.

Other Business: Monday, November 19, Bill will be giving the Park Board's Annual Report to City Council. Would like board representation.
Need to begin conversations regarding Bill and Rick's retirement and our plans on rehiring. Rick retires in April. Bill retires in August.

Riley, Park Board President asked for comments from the audience: ---

Herold moved to adjourn at 6:09 pm. Denner seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco Park and Rec meeting will be November 11 at 5:30 pm at CFC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly O'Brien, Board Secretary

President Riley called the Cresco Park and Recreation meeting to order on 9-9-2020, at 5:30 pm at the Cresco Fitness Center (CFC). Board Members Denner, Ernst, Herold, O'Brien, and Riley were present.

Also Present: Bill Caffrey, Rick McCarville, Wendy Bohr and Dave Brenno.

Herold made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the approval of the: agenda; claims and minutes of the August 2020 meeting. Denner seconded and it passed all ayes.

Bill reported: East Park Bleachers bids from A&J's estimates \$23,000 on concrete and \$26,000 on steel roof and bleachers. Will be starting concrete soon. Fundraiser has raised around \$20,000. Would like to do another push before the new year.

Lodge - Hospital Agreement will be voted on by the City Council, but the Park Board fully supports the agreement. If there is an emergency when the lodge is rented out, it's a must that the renters are fully refunded and given the opportunity to reschedule.

4H Club - Sue Barnes inquired about renting space from November - April opposite of their meetings at the schools on Tuesday/Thursday. Bill will propose \$50.00 a month fee.

Bill reported: Fall Recreation program registration has been sent out. Flag Football currently has 34, 3rd and 4th graders and 40, 5th and 6th grades. Will make 4 teams each grade cluster and play at Kessel.

Volleyball currently has 15, 3rd and 4th graders and 9, 5th and 6th graders. Tanya Riehle is willing to help.

Rick reported: Down 7 members.

Discussed Covid-19 issues and continuing to maintain proper safety protocols. No major concerns.

Fitness equipment is needing to be replaced, but still deciding what route to go: purchase vs lease. A rep is coming to look at equipment and discuss leasing. Would like a board member to be present.

NE IA Swim Team inquired about renting part of the pool 2 or 3 days a week from 5:15-7:15 for \$15.00 an hour. Ideally would like Monday, Tuesday and Thursday but will be extremely flexible with us. Board agreed to move forward. Rick will call to finalize details and stress Covid guidelines/regulations.

Storm Sewer issues will be fixed this fall between Gosch and Mehmert.

Other Business: Brenno shared that it was approved for Cresco Foods to build a 100 foot stack to help with the smell. City Council will stay on them to hopefully contain and control the smell.

Riley, Park Board President asked for comments from the audience: ---

Herold moved to adjourn at 6:07 pm. Riley seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco Park and Rec meeting will be October 14 at 5:30 pm at CFC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly O'Brien, Board Secretary

President Riley called the Cresco Park and Recreation meeting to order on 8-5-2020, at 12:00 pm at the Cresco Fitness Center (CFC). Board Members Denner, Ernst, Herold, O'Brien, and Riley were present.

Also Present: Bill Caffrey, Rick McCarville, Wendy Bohr, Jamie Hackman and Dave Brenno.

Election of Officers: Remove from agenda

Herold made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the approval of the agenda; claims and minutes of the July 2020 meeting. O'Brien seconded and it passed all ayes.

Bill reported: East Park Bleachers bids concluded. No bids from anyone new. Only vocal bid from CBS and A&J in 2019.

Will be putting a Lending Library at East Park and Kessel Park.

Bill reported: Fall Recreation programs (volleyball and flag football) & Youth Football tabled for now. Lots of moving parts we need to finalize before moving forward. Once decided, registration for all events will be sent out like this summer with no late fee.

Rick reported: Down 28 members. Consistent with last summer.

Discussed Covid-19 issues and continuing to maintain proper safety protocols. No major concerns.

Going to keep hours as is for now, 8pm closing. Will discuss moving back to 9pm closing as we better understand what fall will be like.

Discussed purchasing new fitness equipment. Riley suggested leasing vs purchasing.

What option do you get more bang for your buck? Rick will collect more information and report back to the board to make a decision.

Storm Sewer has a crack and created a mess in the basement. Will need to be replaced/fixed.

Other Business: ---

Riley, Park Board President asked for comments from the audience. Brenno shared about the planning and zoning meeting 8/5 and encouraged people to attend - Cresco Food is proposing an addition to help with the smell.

Brenno talked about the Bike Trail needing to be replaced - not a Park and Rec project to tackle. There is a committee specific for the Bike Trail.

Riley moved to adjourn at 12:33 pm. Herold seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco Park and Rec meeting will be September 9 at 5:30 pm at CFC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly O'Brien, Board Secretary

Caffrey called the Cresco Park and Recreation meeting to order on 7-8-2020, at 12:03 pm at the Cresco Fitness Center (CFC). Board Members Denner, Ernst, Herold, O'Brien, and Riley were present.

Also Present: Bill Caffrey, Rick McCarville, Wendy Bohr, and Dave Brenno.

Election of Officers: O'Brien made the motion to nominate Kris Riley as Board Chairman. Herold seconded and it passed all ayes. Riley abstained. Herold made the motion to nominate Holly O'Brien as Board Secretary. Denner seconded and it passed all ayes. O'Brien abstained.

O'Brien made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the approval of the: agenda; claims and minutes of the June 2020 meeting. Herold seconded and it passed all ayes.

Bill reported: Will work with Michelle Girolamo on getting bids from other contractors in Howard County for the East Park Bleachers. Bids will be open for 30 days. Expectation is contractors will begin the project in the fall. Currently have bids from A&J and CBS.

Bill reported: Recreation program is running smoothly. Down some numbers, but very pleased with numbers. Will be wrapping up July 16.

YSF wants to come this Saturday (July 11) to take tackle football measurements for 5th/6th graders. Going to wait until we get a better understanding of what fall will be like. Discussed offering flag football instead of tackle. Tabled for now, will discuss in August.

Rick reported: Down some members, but remaining pretty consistent.

Discussed Covid-19 issues and continuing to maintain proper safety protocols. Has been a manageable crowd. Will be opening the pool on the weekends.

O'Brien made the motion to rehire Alexis Reicks to help with the swim team. Riley seconded and it passed all ayes.

Riley made the motion to hire the following lifeguards at \$8.00 an hour: Dalin Kitchen, Noah Holland, Fletcher Weigert, Teryn Lukes, Tristan Simiele and Aiden Brown. Denner seconded and it passed all ayes.

Wendy has at least 6 more students who want to get certified this fall.

Other Business: Brenno suggested a project of getting a Bandstand like several surrounding communities offer.

Brenno asked for an update on the pool expansion/surveys. Riley said Thomson still wants to move forward with the project, but tabled right now due to Covid-19.

Riley, Park Board President asked for comments from the audience. ---

O'Brien moved to adjourn at 1:02 pm. Ernst seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco Park and Rec meeting will be August 5 at 12:00 pm at CFC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly O'Brien, Board Secretary

President Wiley called the Cresco Park and Recreation meeting to order on 6-3-2020, at 12:34 pm at the Cresco Fitness Center (CFC). Board Members Ernst, O'Brien, Riley and Rogne were present.

Also Present: Bill Caffrey, Rick McCarville, Wendy Bohr, Jamie Hackman, Dave Brenno, Justin Denner, Dave Herold and Cari Leff.

O'Brien made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the approval of the: agenda; claims and minutes of the May 2020 meeting. Riley seconded and it passed all ayes.

Bill reported: Will be moving forward with East Park Bleacher stand. Hoping to start in July/August.

Bill reported: There will be a condensed rec program this summer. June 22-July 16 - flat rate of \$20 for each participant. There will be no concessions. Everyone is encouraged to bring their own equipment and water bottles. M/W: older programs, T/TH: tee ball.

Cari Leff will lead a 4 week Arts and Craft program during that same timeframe for \$20 a participant as well. Crafts will be boxed each week with instructions. Fitness Center willing to display student's work. Online registration will be sent out. Board will continue to evaluate other programs/camps in July.

Rick reported: Down some members.

Pool is currently open for lap swim and adults only. Limited hours: MWF 5-8am, T/TH 12-2pm and M-TH 4-6pm. If Governor allows, pool could open June 17. Board will need to decide what rules/regulations will be applied if it can open to the public.

Discussed being slow on Saturdays and closing/adjusting hours – not really saving money doing so, will remain open.

Will need to hire new employees if given the go ahead with opening all up – tabled for now.

Rogne name the motion to agree with City Council's recommendations for a 3% raise for non-union full time employees. Wiley seconded and it passed all ayes.

Other Business: Brenno asked for an update on the Pool/Splash Pad expansion. Scott Thomson getting quotes and more info out by August.

Brenno suggested putting a bid in the paper for the Each Park Bleacher project.

All members encouraged to attend City Council's meeting June 15 at 7pm.

Wiley motioned for Justin Denner to replace Wiley's board position. Riley second and it passed all ayes

Wiley motioned for Dave Herold to replace Rogne's board position. Riley second and it passed all ayes.

Wiley, Park Board President asked for comments from the audience. Caffrey thanked Wiley and Rogne for their leadership and dedicated time serving on the board.

Wiley moved to adjourn at 1:47 pm. Rogne seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco Park and Rec meeting will be July 8 at 12:30 pm at CFC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly O'Brien, Board Secretary

President Wiley called the Cresco Park and Recreation meeting to order on 5-13-2020, at 5:32 pm at the Cresco Fitness Center (CFC). Board Members Ernst, O'Brien, Riley and Rogne were present.

Also Present: Bill Caffrey, Rick McCarville, Wendy Bohr and Jamie Hackman.

O'Brien made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the approval of the agenda and minutes of the March 2020 meeting. Due to Covid-19 there were no bills. Riley seconded and it passed all ayes.

Bill reported: City Council held a meeting to discuss budgets and the East Park Bleachers project. Wiley made the motion to continue moving forward with the project. Riley seconded and it passed all ayes.

Kessel Ballfield is continuing to be enhanced. Scoreboard is going up on the lodge, will take old shed and bleachers there and looking into an Eagle Scout project to build dugouts.

All light bulbs in parks have been changed to LED.

Bill reported: Waiting for more information from the Governor regarding Recreation Programs. Hoping to have a small season. Decision will be announced when more information from the Governor is released.

Rick reported: Opening back up 5/18 from 5am-8pm. Made it clear it's not a hangout. Staff up to date on cleaning protocols. Expectation of visitors to be cautious.

Will refinish gym floor upstairs. Waiting on guy to come – completing the schools floor as well.

Other Business: AAU teams wanting to begin travel ball -- due to Covid protocol put in place can't be organized practices and no more than 10 people. Going to connect with Michelle Girolamo and get an email sent out to teams.

Concerns about lights being left on at ballfield. Parks are open until 11, Wiley will help get the word out to kids about turning lights off.

Phil Ollendick inquired about a Minnesota team playing ball on our fields. Board decided if restrictions are lifted, our local teams get first dibs on the field.

Rogne suggested putting treadmills on the upper level of the fitness center – partitioning area off.

Rogne suggested when Bill and Rick retire – look into combining their role into 1.

Wiley, Park Board President asked for comments from the audience. Rogne suggested having a small room downstairs turned into a little kid room so they can play safely. Will look into designating an area and getting some play equipment.

Rogne moved to adjourn at 6:17 pm. Riley seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco Park and Rec meeting will be June 10 at 12:30 pm at CFC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly O'Brien, Board Secretary

President Wiley called the Cresco Park and Recreation meeting to order on 3-11-2020, at 5:31 pm at the Cresco Fitness Center (CFC). Board Members Ernst, O'Brien and Riley present. Rogne was absent.

Also Present: Bill Caffrey, Rick McCarville, and Dave Brenno

O'Brien made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the approval of the: agenda; claims and minutes of the January 2020 meeting. Riley seconded and it passed all ayes.

Bill reported: Issues with driveway behind right field at East Park. Rick is going to visit with families of the houses – don't drive on when wet.

Bill reported: Middle of March will sent online sign up to families.

Rick reported: Up members – most members since 2019

Talked about new fitness equipment. Tabled until City Council meeting.

TIF meeting will be held March 30th with City Council to discuss Ron Fiscus and Scott Thomson's plans with renovating fitness center/pool area. Michelle Girolamo will post so all members can attend.

Other Business: Coronavirus protocol put in place – Michelle Girolamo sent email explaining.

Talked about summer help raises -- continue with standard or base per person? Tabled for now.

Wiley and Rogne plan to resign when turn is up.

Discussion on hiring policy when Bill and Rick retire.

Wiley, Park Board President asked for comments from the audience. ----

Riley moved to adjourn at 6:13 pm. Wiley seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco Park and Rec meeting will be April 8 at 5:30 pm at CFC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly O'Brien, Board Secretary

President Wiley called the Cresco Park and Recreation meeting to order on 2-12-2020, at 5:34 pm at the Cresco Fitness Center (CFC). Board Members Ernst, O'Brien, Riley and Rogne were present.

Also Present: Bill Caffrey, Rick McCarville, Wendy Bohr and Dave Brenno

Riley made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the approval of the agenda; claims and minutes of the January 2020 meeting. Rogne seconded and it passed all ayes.

Bill reported: Fundraiser is up and running. Around \$15,000 has been raised thus far.
Bill reported: Reviewed new recreation program enrollment. Prices went up a little, camps stayed the same.

Rick reported: Same number of members as last month.

Talked about new fitness equipment. Suggestion of a \$4000.00 treadmill. Tabled until April/May. Went over survey results. TIF meeting will be held March 30th with City Council to discuss Ron Fiscus and Scott Thomson's plans with renovating fitness center/pool area.

Other Business: ----

Wiley, Park Board President asked for comments from the audience. ----

O'Brien moved to adjourn at 5:59 pm. Riley seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco Park and Rec meeting will be March 11 at 5:30 pm at CFC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly O'Brien, Board Secretary

President Wiley called the Cresco Park and Recreation meeting to order on 1-15-2020, at 5:33 pm at the Cresco Fitness Center (CFC). Board Members O'Brien, Riley and Rogne were present. Ernst was absent.

Also Present: Bill Caffrey, Rick McCarville, Wendy Bohr and Dave Brenno

O'Brien made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the approval of the: agenda; claims and minutes of the December 2019 meeting. Rogne seconded and it passed all ayes.

Bill reported: Filling the ice rink 1/16 – hoping to open in a week pending weather.

East Park Bleachers are about ready to roll out with fundraiser.

Bill reported: Basketball is running smoothly. Talked about increasing rates. Bill and Wendy will send out new pricing for board to look over and discuss at next meeting.

Rick reported: Up a few members

Need new treadmill – waiting on expansion decisions. Surveys are continuing to come in. Ron Fiscus will be presenting at February City Council meeting about “Tif grant”

Other Business: Rogne suggested adding flags in the pool area to help with acoustics.

Gym space continues to be an issues. Rick is going to implement a new rule – board supports Rick’s decision. They are doing the best they can to meet all needs and make it fair for everyone.

Wiley, Park Board President asked for comments from the audience. ----

Riley moved to adjourn at 6:13 pm. Wiley seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco Park and Rec meeting will be February 12 at 5:30 pm at CFC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly O'Brien, Board Secretary