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## **Orange Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting**

Town Hall Meeting Room– 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday February 23, 2022

*(Unapproved)*

### **ATTENDANCE**

**Commissioners Present:** Stephen Bespuda, Linda Kantor, Jack Pritchard, Chuck Stackpole, and William Nicoletti

**Commissioners Absent:** Vice Chairman James O'Connor, Dave Corris, Deborah Davis, and James Ronai

**Staff:** Lynn Plaskowitz, Parks and Recreation; Deborah Satonick, Recording Secretary

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

- Mr. Bespuda called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. and asked the Commission members to introduce themselves.

### **2. PUBLIC DIALOGUE**

- Mr. Pisano requested that "Discussion of Fred Wolfe Park Playground Location" be added to the Agenda for approval. He expressed his concern about the traffic flow and possible safety issues. Ms. Plaskowitz advised that the location of the playground has been selected, but it can be shifted a few feet in either direction.

### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 26, 2022**

*Mr. Pritchard made a motion to approve the January 26, 2022 minutes, seconded by Ms. Kantor. All were in favor, with Mr. Stackpole abstaining. The motion PASSED.*

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### **4. OLD BUSINESS**

- There was no old business to discuss at this time.

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

### A. Discovery to Cure Foundation – Ruthann Ornstein

- Ms. Ornstein, 773 Orange Center Road, discussed this fundraiser and use of the High Plains Community Fairgrounds as their possible venue. The event will be held May 1, 2022 and the money raised will be donated to the Yale School of Medicine for research on ovarian cancer and other gynecological cancers. The event will include speakers, food trucks, music, children’s activities, craft vendors, a raffle, and a walk-a-thon. They will rent additional porta potties and will seek approval from all of the Town Departments, as necessary. The event will run from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### B. Grounds and Facilities – Steve Bspuda

- There was nothing to report at this time. The weather has not allowed for ice skating at the ponds.

### C. Personnel – Jim O’Connor

- There was no report at this time.

### D. Budget

- There were no questions on the budget at this time.

### E. Director’s Report

- Mr. Bspuda noted that the Director’s Report, Programs Report, and the Aquatic Report were included in the Commissioners’ packets.

***Mr. Stackpole made a motion to add “Approval of Discovery to Cure Foundation Request” as Item #F on the Agenda. Mr. Pritchard seconded the motion and all were in favor. The motion PASSED.***

### F. Discussion of Discovery to Cure Foundation Request for Use of High Plains Fairgrounds

- The Commission members unanimously agreed that this is a good venue for this fundraiser and Ms. Plaskowitz confirmed that this date is available.

***Mr. Pritchard made a motion to approve the request from Discovery to Cure Foundation to use the High Plains Fairgrounds on May 1, 2022 for their fundraiser, pending approval from the necessary Town Departments. Ms. Kantor seconded the motion and all were in favor. The motion PASSED.***

## 6. Chairman’s Report

- There was no Chairman’s Report at this time.

7. **Adjournment**

*Mr. Stackpole moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m., seconded by Mr. Nicoletti. All were in favor and the motion PASSED.*

Respectfully Submitted,

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Deborah Satonick,  
Recording Secretary