

**City of Pataskala Parks and Recreation Department Council Report**  
**Lenier Crawford, Parks Manager**



**Administrative**

○ **Park Projects:**

▪ **Foundation Aggregate Path Project:**

- Project is moving forward. We are currently waiting on awarded contractors bid book and all necessary documents which are needed to move forward.

**Total Project Cost based on awarding contract: \$143,491**

- **Total city cost: \$153,764.70-** this includes advertisements and engineering cost up to this point in the project. Inspection is not included in this cost
- **Park District: \$38,000**
- **Gibb Reese Foundation: \$ 38,000**
- **Liberty Park:** Liberty Park is complete: See photos
  - **Total Construction Cost: \$106,983.65**
  - **Furnishing Cost: \$5,191**
  - **Total Project: \$124,604.65 (Included engineering cost associated with the project)**
- **Karr Park Improvements NatureWorks Grant:**
  - Planning to re-bid in February 2021
  - Awaiting final cost estimate for asphalt paths. Once cost estimate for path is completed. Our legal team will review the components of the project separately and determine if the project needs to be BID out. We know the install and material cost of the fitness equipment area will be less than \$50,000.
- **Freedom Park:** Little Library installation coming soon to Freedom Park.
- **Ordinance 2020-4379** Amending section D of the current fee schedule adding fees, changing grammatical errors etc.
  - The Parks Department would like to ask Council to Table this ordinance. The purpose behind the request to avoid passing an ordinance that includes operations that are set to kick off in May or June of 2021. Details for operations of the Technology and Esports Program are being discuss by administration. Details should be finalized by March 1<sup>st</sup>. At that time, we hope to remove from the table with the anticipation approval for April 2021 roll out of new fees for the Parks Department.
- **ORDINANCE 2020-4380** An ordinance creating and establishing two unpaid Parks and Natural Resources Internships within the Parks and Recreation Department.
- **ORDINANCE 2021-4381** An ordinance creating and establishing two paid Parks Recreation Internships within the Parks and Recreation Department.

**Parks and Recreation News/Updates:**

- **Out of school time activity partnership opportunities:**
  - Tech Programming with Tech R2, YMCA, AMAZON, The Works. We are starting the agreement process now.
  - Technology and Esports operation details coming in February
- **Current Programs Update**
  - Youth Soccer 2021 updates to come separately: See attached
  - Adult Coed Softball: April Tournament will serve as a fundraiser for the Shop with a Cop program.
  - Pool Employees: Currently seeking applicants
  - Season Maintenance: Currently seeking applicants



## **Youth Soccer Update for 2021**

Due to the current effect of the pandemic here in Licking County our plans for recreation program will be forever changing due to COVID-19. The Pataskala Youth Soccer League would like to provide an update to our community residents who may or may not be interested in participating in our league sessions in 2021.

As we roll out registration for our spring season please note that the City will make a league determination for our spring season based on our current pandemic state on March 12<sup>th</sup>. At that time, we will allow for refund request, requests to transfer to our summer program or donate registration fees by March 19<sup>th</sup>. March 19<sup>th</sup> will be the LAST day to submit your request for refunds using our new form which will be available on January 1<sup>st</sup> via our website [www.pataskalaparksandrecreation.com](http://www.pataskalaparksandrecreation.com) under the “Refunds” tab. All requests for a refund request must be submitted using the form. A refund will not be processed by communication via email or phone call.

The Pataskala Youth Soccer League will be making decisions on our youth league play based on the below information:

### **Five Phases of “PLAY ON”:**

#### **Phase 0: Stay and Shelter**

- No recreational organized activities
- Follow local, state and federal guidelines

#### **Phase I: Individual and Small Group Training**

- Maximum of nine (9) players or less, based on state/local social distancing guidelines) and one (1) coach allowed
- Maintain COVID-19 mitigation and incident action plans

#### **Phase II: Full Team Training**

Core features

- Full team training allowed
- Continue to maintain social distancing
- COVID-19 prevention and response protocols in place and followed
  - Skills Training Session will proceed with 4 scheduled weekend days that would allow for open play for the league to participate in scrimmages. There will not be

a timeline or a limit as to how many scrimmages the players can play in. This is due to our league being Pataskala “only”.

### **Phase III: Full Team Competitions**

- Maintain COVID-19 mitigation and incident action plans
  - We will operate with formal games and team training weekly. We will be required to follow state guidelines.

#### **Core features**

- Full team competitions can occur
- Continue with COVID-19 mitigation strategies
- Consider local and single day competitions
- Large events should be guided by local and/or state public health authorities

### **Phase IV: No Restrictions**

- No restrictions related to COVID-19

By looking at the above phases, based on our current pandemic measures we would operate under Phase 0. The league will offer soccer in some form starting phase 2 and so forth.

The important message here:

### **Reverting to Earlier Phases**

Regardless of which phase we are in; we should be prepared to step back and revert to an earlier phase if any of the following occur.

- Cluster of infections occur
- Inability to maintain COVID-19 prevention and response protocols
- Inability to track and/or isolate players or staff
- External factor exposes a COVID-19 risk to your team or club
- Changes to local public health official guidelines regarding group gatherings

Reminder: For the Spring 2021 season we will offer registrants the option for refunds or to roll over to our Summer season or Fall season