

MINUTES

Troy Recreation Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 18, 2026
4:00 p.m.
Hobart Arena

Members Present: Marty Hobart, President; Tom Dunn, Vice President;
Ashley Reed, Secretary; Jeff Schultz and Lindsay Fisher.

Others Present: Kenneth Siler, Director of Recreation; Carrie Slater,
Assistant Director of Recreation and Austin Eidemiller,
Planning and Zoning Manager.

The meeting was called to order by the President of the Recreation Board, Marty Hobart.

The minutes of the January 21, 2026 Joint Recreation and Park Board meeting were read. It was moved by Mr. Dunn and seconded by Mrs. Fisher that the minutes be approved as read. Motion carried.

The Director informed the board that staff is working on preparing for summer program registrations. They will be ready to go online April 1st. Girls' Softball registrations start well in advance before that because it's a spring/early summer program. Registrations ended on Monday. Most of the teams are maxed out. Nevin is currently in the process of working with the other programs within the league. This year, in addition to Tipp City and Vandalia, Miami East and Englewood will play as well. Englewood participated in the past. They requested to join this year.

The board reviewed proposed 2026-27 Jr. Hockey registration fees. There are currently 142 players in the program. The Director anticipates an influx of kids coming in. There have been some ongoing challenges down south with the Dayton Ice Hounds program that is based out of a facility called South Metro. They have had some significant challenges this year with maintaining their ice so there is a possibility that organization may not exist next year. It is likely that the kids in that program will splinter off and go to various programs. The Director anticipates some of those kids will come to the Troy program as well. The Director anticipates a total ice transfer of \$68,000 to the arena for the youth program that equates to \$157 per hour for ice, which is less than the general hourly rental rate. The Director tries to keep the program affordable for the kids to be able to continue to participate and give the program a try. He is proposing a \$15 increase for U8 players and everything else going up \$50 for all other age groups except for the High School team going up \$100. The fees are significantly less than the Dayton organizations. It was moved by Mr. Hobart and seconded by Mr. Schultz to approve the proposed 2026-27 Jr. Hockey registration fees as presented. Motion carried.

The Director informed the board that the department offers an Introduction to Hockey program in the spring and then again in the summer. Hockey and ice skating generally tend to see a blip of registrations following the Olympics so the registration information for the spring Introduction to Hockey program, which will be held four dates in March was put out as of today and there are 17 kids registered, which is more than the program typically ends up with. The Director is going to cap the program at about 20-22 players because that is the max amount of rental equipment available to accommodate the kids. He anticipates being maxed out well before the program takes place.

The Director informed the board that since the last meeting, the arena had a concert, Hartzell Propeller Annual Employee Party, Jay Leno and a Cheer competition. This past weekend there was a Home Show held in the arena. This coming weekend on Sunday, for the first time, there will be a winter 6-hour skating competition. The OHSA Division III District Wrestling Tournament will be held in a couple of weeks. There will be a couple more things happening in March then ice will come off for maintenance projects. Winterguard will be in the arena for a couple of weeks during the month of April as they always are with practices and then one full day of percussion events.

The Director also informed the board that there are some issues with the Zamboni. Staff is working with the company that services it to figure out what is going on. The head gasket or motor may need replaced. There is a backup Zamboni. Mr. Hobart asked what the due date is for the new Zamboni. The Director told him sometime in June. He hasn't heard anything different.

The Assistant Director informed the board that we are still offering the \$10.00 discount off season passes through the month of April. Season pass sales are on target at this time of the year. The deadline to apply to work at the pool was February 13th. With the new pay scale that the board and city council approved she has been able to secure all spots for employment at the pool this summer. As weather permits staff will start preparing to open the pool.

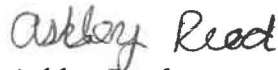
The Director informed the board that the department received \$7,800 from the United Way of Miami County for the 2026 Troy Playground Program. The previous year the department received \$13,000. Funding has been significantly reduced due to lack of contributions over the last couple of years. The Troy Playground Program wasn't the only program impacted by that. The Director is requesting \$8,000 for the 2027 Troy Playground Program to accommodate the slight additional increase in minimum wage from this summer to the summer of 2027. There will be two sites this year. The sites will be Kings Chapel and Heywood School. It was moved by Mrs. Reed and seconded by Mr. Dunn to request \$8,000 from the United Way of Miami County for the 2027 Troy Playground Program. Motion carried.

The Director informed the board that since the board met last an opportunity was offered to the Recreation and Park Boards to provide any input, suggested revisions or questions for the Master Plan. Austin Eidemiller, Planning and Zoning Manager informed the board that a narrative paragraph was added about the River Park Plaza. It is highlighting plans to do a River Park Plaza on the south side of the levee. He also stated that there is a note that the Recreation and Park Board approved Option 1A for Duke Park. It was also noted that Option 1B and 1C were considered as well. It was moved by Mr. Hobart and seconded by Mrs. Reed to approve the recommended Master Plan with the suggested amendments. Motion carried.

The Recreation Board would like to request that when an amended agreement is ready, that council authorize the Recreation Board to execute the agreement with MSA Architects for an additional \$50,000 design services for a total of \$270,000. This will include design for Phase 2 maintenance improvements at the Troy Aquatic Park to include added seating, added shade structures and improvements to the concession area. It was moved by Mr. Dunn and seconded by Mr. Schultz that Council authorize the Recreation Board execute the amended agreement for the additional \$50,000 design fee. Motion carried.

Being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Schultz seconded by Mrs. Reed to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Handwritten signature of Ashley Reed in cursive script.

Ashley Reed
Secretary