

# NORTH ROYALTON RECREATION BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, October 26, 2021

The Recreational Board meeting was held on October 26, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Mr. Santangelo.

**Present:** Committee Members: Russ Wells, Todd Althouse, Tony Santangelo, Dr. John Kelly, Jason Swim, Jeremy Dietrich; Recognized Clubs & Organizations: John Haft (NRBB), Guy DiSiena (NRSC), Mike Lee (BCNR), Don Straight (NRYF), Dejana Cinquepalmi (NRCG); (Non-recognized Clubs & Organizations: Jeff Jacko (YMCA)

**Absent with Cause:**

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*Motion to accept September 2021 meeting minutes Dr. Kelly, Mr. Santangelo 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried. Russ Wells abstained.*

## REPORTS

**Recreation Department: Jason Swim** – The 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of light project has been completed. They are Beginning winter prep for soccer and baseball fields. They plan to aerate and overseed.

**School Board: Dr. John Kelly** – See attached report.

**Council: Jeremy Dietrich** – Things are going well. The election is Nov. 2.

## NORTH ROYALTON RECOGNIZED CLUBS:

**Baseball (NRBB): John Haft** – The Boys Travel reg opens on Nov 1st.

**Soccer (NRSC): Guy DiSiena** – See attached report for NRCS.

**Basketball (BANR): Mike Lee** – Practice starts on Nov 2; season starts Dec 2. Preseason tournaments start Nov 12. The high school coach will be holding clinic for the 19 new coaches. The high school girls will be holding clinic on Nov 30th. They are donating 3k to high school program – boys will buy shirts and girls will be buying a shooting machine. HS sent out schedule for Nov and Dec practices. Mike asked if Rec board would help coordinate gym time or the schools. Dr. Kelly said that he should talk to Christian Hubble about the allocation.

**Football (NRYF): Don Straight** – The season is winding down. Six teams qualified for playoffs but only two remain. They will host 3 games this Sat at the high school stadium. The championships will be Nov 6th at Hudson. No issues with Covid this year. They had a very successful season; schools have been very accommodating with field use. The season is over on Nov 6th after championship game.

**North Royalton Community Garden (NRCG): Dejana Cinquepalmi** – The season has ended with produce donations totaling 550#. The end of season cleanup was on Oct 9. Several HS students and volunteers from St. Albert (in conjunction with their service day) helped with the cleanup. Sixteen yards of soil from Grace Brothers was added to all plots and high boxes. All tools, wheelbarrows, number signs and fence signs will be removed by end of October. The water is off at the garden and will be turned back on in the Spring. Some gardeners still have late season crops growing (like brussel sprouts, carrots...) and will be harvesting till the first heavy frost or snow. As of today, we have 5 open plots for next season, they will be filled from the list of 17 waiting gardeners.

#### **NORTH ROYALTON NON-RECOGNIZED CLUBS:**

**YMCA: Jeff Jacko** – The Jr Cavs' season started this past Saturday. They have 250 participants. The swim team is back practicing. They are welcoming all NR Veterans for free access to YMCA for the month of November.

**Mayor Larry Antoskiewicz** – The council meeting moved to Wed instead of Tues during election week. The Planning meeting is also pushed back to Thursday as well. Upper pavilion has been removed. They plan to pour a pad before winter and have new pavilion up by Spring. They are also going to do the bridge then as well. They are working on a design for the splash pad – the city has a \$500K budget for the splash pad. There is a new sidewalk from city to Akins and they are applying for funding for sidewalks to parkway and from Lisa Lane to Wallings Rd. The Finance director is leaving the city to take a new job in Strongsville. City is looking for a new director.

**Paul Marnecheck, President of Council** – No Report

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting is scheduled for November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 6:00pm. Mr. Santangelo moved to adjourn the meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Kelly. The motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:26pm.

## NR Schools report for October 2021 Meeting

### ATHLETICS

Varsity Football- 7– 3

OHSAA Playoffs start on 10/29 with a road game against Fremont Ross in Fremont

Golf

Boys – 4 – 4 4th place in S.L.; 7th place in sectionals

Girls – 5 – 4 5th place in S.L.; 7th at sectionals

Tennis

Girls – 12 – 4 4th place in S.L.

Dbls duo of Kripa Kunaran/Safa Hameed advanced to final 8.

Soccer

Boys – 5-9-2; 3rd pl in S.L.; Lost 1-0 to Brunswick in sectionals

Girls – 7-7-1 in S.L. 4th place Lost 3-2 in Dbl overtime to Highland in sectionals

X-Country

Boys – Finished 5th out of 7 teams in S.L.

Girls – Finished 5th out of 7 teams in S.L.

Volleyball – 8 – 6 2 – 4 in S.L.

Defeated Strongsville (3-0) will play Maple Hts. In 2nd round

### CONSTRUCTION

The High School arts section will open to students on November 1. The parking lot will also open for student use that same week. The High School project is wrapped up with only punch list and warranty items on the agenda to be done. Albion demolition is started with Valley Vita demo to get underway shortly. Both sites will be graded to natural contours, and perhaps seeded before winter. It is possible that seeding could be done in the Spring depending on weather. Royalview is abated and plans for non-instructional use conversion have been initiated. There will be a “Ribbon Cutting” and open house at the High School; tentatively scheduled for December 22, 2021 around 4:30pm.

### OTHER NEWS

We will be investing a little more than \$36,000 in field improvements to all three High School fields and Memorial Park. Some items common to all fields are hand-cutting of the infield, Heavy mound clay installation in the batter’s boxes and pitching mounds, final grading and top dressing with diamond pro. Some of the fields will also get outfield turf repairs and warning track cutting and grading. We also invested approximately \$47,000 in fencing repairs and dugout maintenance on the varsity fields.

In addition, going forward, the District will be doing the grading and grass maintenance on the 3 High School fields year round thus freeing up Jason and city crews to focus on the other city diamonds and fields. Jason and his crew will only be responsible for game prep on these 3 fields (lining, setting bases and the mound etc.).

# REC BOARD MEETING REPORT for October 26, 2021



Our Fall season wrapped up this last weekend October 23rd & 24th.

Our Bears Academy and our Rec League had their last sessions and games this past Saturday. Rec League Director, Avi Cohen, asked our coaches to dress up in Halloween costumes to add some pre-Halloween fun to the last day of the season. More than half of the coaches obliged, and it was hard to tell if the players or coaches enjoyed it more. Pictures should end up on our website and Facebook.

Our Travel Teams played any remaining scheduled or makeup games Sunday.

Although the late summer was wet and we had some rain this fall, we managed to get in all our games for the Fall season.

Our Trustees meeting is on Tuesday November 9th, here in the City Hall meeting room. Along with an update on the fall season and a look toward the Spring, we will be electing Board Members for the coming year at this meeting

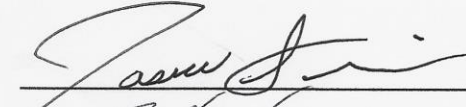


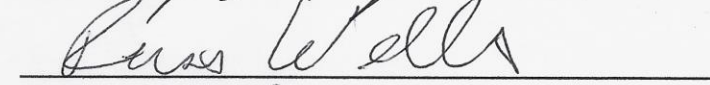
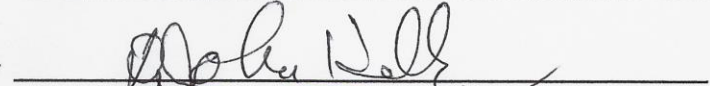

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season plans continue.**

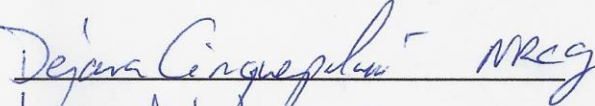
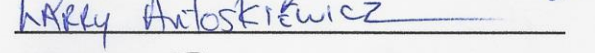
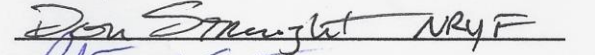
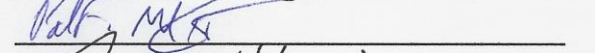


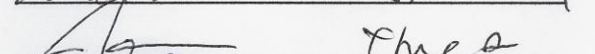
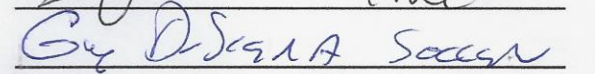
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Attendance Sheet

October 26, 2021

<b>Jason Swim</b>	Recreation Director	
<b>Todd Althouse</b>	Board Member	
<b>Tony Santangelo</b>	Board Member	
<b>Russ Wells</b>	Board Member	
<b>Dr. John Kelly</b>	School Board Member	
<b>Jeremy Dietrich</b>	Council Representative	

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