



**City of Covington
Parks & Recreation Commission
Minutes**

May 16, 2012

Covington Aquatic Center

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL Present: Dave Aldous, Kollin Higgins, Conni Elliott, Steve Pand, William Pand, Bryan Higgins

Excused Absent: Liz Fast

CITY STAFF PRESENT Scott Thomas, Ethan Newton

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

The April minutes were approved as amended.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No citizens were present.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

There was no continued business

**NEW
BUSINESS**

1. **Aquatics Update** —Aquatics Supervisor Ethan Newton reviewed the PowerPoint handouts that he presented to BPAC, provided an update of activities at the Aquatic Center and the progress toward meeting their goals per the PROS plan. The current programming has achieved a cost recovery rate of 65%.
2. **2012 Capital and Operating Budget Priorities (2 of 2)**—Scott stressed the need to establish priorities for next year's budget. The major push for the initial phase of Covington Community Park will be completed by this time next year. Chairman Pand emphasized the need for a Park Planner to develop new projects. CM discussed the importance of having a Planner who can help the Commission and the Council create a vision that they can bring to the residents/voters for future ballot considerations. The CM also discussed the need for additional programming and events/festivals.
3. **Plan for Park Tour (June Meeting)**— We'll meet at the City Hall and travel to Cedar Creek Park.
4. **Debrief Earth Day** — The volunteers cleared a lot of the holly and scotch broom, filling the large dumpster that Allied Waste brought by. The Order of

- the Arrow went in after the volunteer event came in and cleared more holly.
5. **Plan For Parks & Recreation Month (July)**— The summer concert series is starting right after Covington Days. More discussion will follow.
 6. **Plan for Joint Arts, Parks & Council (?) Meeting (Sept 20th)**— We will be meeting with the Parks Commission and City Council in September. BPAC has been asked to participate. City Manager Matheson will present the State of the City report.
 - There are numerous vacancies on the Arts Commission. Scott would like us to spread the word amongst our neighbors and acquaintances.
 - Covington Community Park bid is open tomorrow. 12 firms requested plans.
 - The Impact Fee Study presentation is scheduled for the Tuesday, June 12 council meeting.
 - There are 4 private fences along the Pipeline Trail that will be removed by Williams Pipeline.

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COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION OF COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF

There were no comments.

With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:48pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Conni Elliott

Secretary
Parks & Recreation Commission