

CHCA Meeting Final Minutes  
January 2024 - Approved 02/13/2024

1. **Attendance** - Leslie Caruso, Will Pearce, Alan Miroslaw, Adam Baas, Chris Rule, Brittany Smith, Kay Hoffman, Joyce Miroslaw, Ron Sears, Steve Kolwicz, Alex Componeschi, Darren Hurley, Colleen Light, Ryan Cooper, Ryan Hollowell, Stephen Bretherthen
2. **Review/Approve prior month's minutes** – *Alan motion, Leslie second, passed.*
3. **Other Business-**

**~Update from City of Worthington on Shelter House**

The council-appointed Parks and Recreation committee (Steve, Alex, Darren, Colleen, and Ryan) came to discuss a proposal, which stemmed from a 2017 overall plan for all parks and the Selby playground, for a POD “people-oriented design” renovation of the shelter house. The committee’s goal was to gather input for the proposal. Steve and Alex asked questions, such as “What would you like to see changed?” and “What would a new building look like?”

Will requested disability-accessible indoor/ outdoor restrooms and air conditioning. Alan noted that the extra rooms in the shelter house may not be necessary. He also expressed desire for extra storage space for CHCA events. The group discussed separating the city utilities from the CHCA storage. Chris asked if there is potential to store the July 4<sup>th</sup> event tent here. Adam spoke on the July 4<sup>th</sup> event activities; the group pointed out that there have been power and water issues during the event. The group mentioned that adding water may be helpful. That city shared that there is an option to get a permit for using a fire hydrant. Leslie expressed that she would like more/better windows. Chris highlighted that the current simplicity of the space helps keep the rental price down. Ron asked the committee what being more “ecologically oriented” means in building standards. Their response was that the city’s goal is to be as efficient as possible. Ron also expressed that involving kids in the design decision may be beneficial. Joyce expressed we need more shade and seating in the park. She also noted that the new playground focuses on younger kids, and she asked for a hang out space for older kids.

The group also discussed the following ideas: expanding the overhang, retaining the rolling windows, adding a third window, getting an awning/tent combo., addressing parking concerns, configuring space for food trucks, adding a large projector screen, redesigning for better airflow, adding plants and trees in the park, and redesigning the kitchenette for efficiency. Additionally, the group indicated a desire to preserve the following: the open field, the walking loop, and large trees.

The committee shared that there is to be an open house to look at concepts in March. They reiterated that they are open to receiving ideas.

**~BSA/Pack 331 Charter Agreement and CHCA**

Stephen (Cubmaster of Pack 331) and Ryan (Committee Chair) came to discuss the BSA/Pack 331 CHCA charter agreement. The group noted that CHCA has been the charter organization for the pack for 45 years. Leslie expressed concern on assuming responsibility for the oversight of the expenses. The group noted that the council oversees the taxes, however, the boy scouts need a free tax ID and use the CHCA EIN for the bank accounts. Stephen discussed the expenses which include fundraisers, derbies, and camping; he brought an expense report to share.

Will motioned that CHCA charters the pack. Adam requested an annual financial report. Will amended the motion for Alan to sign the agreement as-is, with the addition of a year-end financial statement. Adam suggested we talk annually. Alan suggested this discussion

occur in November (due to the food drive). Chris added that the boy scouts could fundraise during CHCA events. Additionally, Stephen noted that they need help with storage of scout gear. He also expressed interest in attending the July 4<sup>th</sup> event for pack service and recruiting activity.

*Will motioned, Adam seconded, passed.*

**4. Treasurer's Report ~2023 Preliminary-**

Adam sent a preliminary annual report. He explained that he is waiting on Christmas party expenses; he is hoping to finalize the report by next week for our tax filings.

**5. 2024 Calendar Magnet-**

The group agreed the magnet is good. Chris shared that he is working on courier articles this week. He stated that he will send an email tomorrow with deadlines.

**6. Upcoming Events-**

**~March Buddy Box Packing (14th evening or 17th afternoon)**

The group agreed on Sunday the 17th. Alan stated that this is typically around 1 pm.

**7. Public Comments-**

Ron asked who was running the July 4<sup>th</sup> event in 2024. Chris noted that his wife, Amanda, is chairing the event. Ron stated that he would like to do three games and would like tents. Ron distributed sets of draft questions for the Boundless Property meeting. He asked that the group review and make changes if they desired; he volunteered to bring copies to the meeting. Alan stated that CHCA can publicize a reminder tonight and tomorrow for the meeting.

**8. Adjourn-*Leslie motion, Adam second.***