

RESOLUTION NO. 12

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Village of Yellow Springs have expressed their determination to provide a swimming pool by public contribution, and

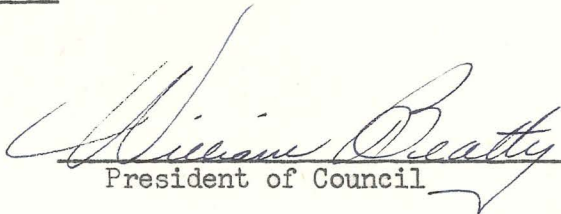
WHEREAS, the Council of the Village has provided a site for this pool at Guant Park, and

WHEREAS, the citizens have requested formal acceptance by the Village of this pool when it is built, now therefore

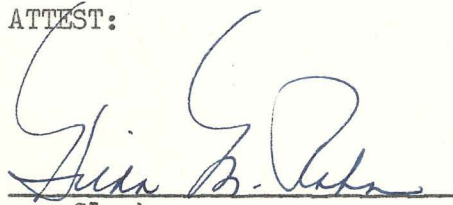
BE IT RESOLVED that the said Village Council does grant permission for a public swimming pool to be erected at a suitable site in Guant Park, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that when erected, this pool will be accepted by the Village Government for supervision and maintenance, and that said pool will then become the property of all the citizens of Yellow Springs through their elected Village Government.

Passed May 16, 1955

  
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President of Council

ATTEST:

  
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Clerk

Statement from Village Council Clerk, regarding Gaunt Park Pool

11/2/2023

The Village currently partners with the Greene County Library to send their "extra" bagged lunches and snack bags to the Gaunt Park Pool, so that these can be distributed to anyone who requests them while they are visiting the pool. Very often the pool serves as a defacto summer camp for kids whose parents cannot afford daycare or camp, and those kids are present much of the day, often with no meal options.

For many of our village youth the pool IS summer camp, IS summer vacation--it is a critical piece of our village support structure, along with the library and the Youth Center.

Every summer since the pool was constructed in 1956, free swimming lessons have been provided for all Village children.

The Village also provides a ""Swimming for All"" program, which covers up to the full cost of a season swim pass for either individual or family for any Yellow Springs resident of limited means as demonstrated by proof of receipt of State or Government benefits.

As the last public pool in Greene County, the Gaunt Park Pool has seen an definite increase in visitors from other municipalities over the last 4-6 years, including day care centers, adult day programs and large family get-togethers.

This historical (and much in need of improvements) amenity provides enjoyment, the companionship of others, cooling relief on hot days, and growth and learning opportunities for our young lifeguards.

I hope you will agree that this is an amenity that gives back a tremendous amount to not just the Village, but to all of Greene County.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Kintner

Council Clerk

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November 3, 2023

To the Dayton Development Coalition:

The Gaunt Park Pool in Yellow Springs has been an important part of my life since it opened in 1956. My father was a member of the Jaycees who fundraised to finance the building of the pool in the town of Yellow Springs. At the time there was a pool at John Bryan State Park and the community knew the importance of having a pool located in the town.

I spent every childhood summer at Gaunt Park Pool, as did most of the children in the community. Also located at Gaunt Park are T-ball and Little League fields, as well as softball and baseball fields maintained by the Village of Yellow Springs. The park area is an integral part of the community throughout the summer and other times of the year.

Now as an adult, I still spend every summer at Gaunt Park Pool and usually go everyday. The pool is maintained by talented and caring staff every summer. We have been fortunate to have had the same pool manager for numerous years who is employed by the village and does a professional job each year. Most areas in the country are undergoing a life-guard shortage, and this is not a concern at Gaunt Pool as each year we have experienced lifeguards, most of who live in Yellow Springs.

When Greene County Parks closed the public pools in Xenia and Fairborn, in 2009, the public pool in Yellow Springs became the only such pool in Greene County. People from throughout the county, as well as Clark County, now use the Yellow Springs pool on a daily basis in the summer. Our pool is now utilized by the citizens of Yellow Springs as well as the rest of the county, and surrounding counties, and the Village is the one who financially supports the upkeep of the pool as well as the salaries of the staff. We have a much needed and appreciated resource in this town!

Sincerely,

Patricia Peters

Community Member