

Minutes of the Munson Township Park & Recreation Board Meeting Monday, March 10, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 6:15pm by Bert Diehl, with Rick Webb, Ellen Comeau and Jim O'Neill present at Munson Township Hall. Ellen Comeau attended this meeting via cell phone. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Dave Jirsa recently resigned from the Board but would like to continue to be involved with the Disc Golf Course.

Minutes

Bert Diehl moved and Jim O'Neill seconded to approve the minutes of February 10, 2025 as written. Passed unanimously. Motion carried, 3-0.

Old Business

Floating Boardwalk

Trustee Andy Bushman talked with Jeff Atchley of Metalcraft Docks. He will be adding the dock extension at Scenic River Retreat as soon as weather allows. The boardwalk installation target date is mid-June. The trail needs to be widened along the entrance. A few more bridges are also needed. Trustee Nate McDonald is looking into applying for a grant with the Department of Natural Resources, recreation trail fund. The grant application would be to connect the trails at Scenic River Retreat to the boardwalk on Auburn Road. A small portion of the trail must be handicap accessible with enough room to turn the chair around. The grant process is slow and it may take close to a year to complete the paperwork. The Township would make a temporary walk across the creek while waiting for grant funds. The structure would be there, and improvement can be made to it from grant funds. Mr. McDonald said that he, along with help from Chagrin River Watershed Partners, will work on the grant.

Disc Golf Course at Nero Nature Preserve

Ellen Comeau would like to head up this project and help wherever she is needed. Bert Diehl plans on meeting with Kirk Walker, the Road Superintendent, to go over the fairways and see what areas need to be cut.

Flea Market - Saturday, March 22

Most of the vendor spaces have been sold with only a few remaining. Available Board members are asked to meet at Town Hall at 6:45am to help direct vendors in the fire station bay.

New Business

Landscape

The landscaping for Munson Township parks and cemeteries has gone out for bid. The Trustees approved the landscape quotes that Mr. Walker recommended.

Community Gardens

Ellen Comeau will contact Gail Prunty from Geauga Soil and Water once the weather breaks and she has looked at the rain garden at Township Park. This may be the perfect place to hold an educational program.

Board Park Assignments

Ellen Comeau will do the monthly inspections at Nero Nature Preserve. The other Board members will continue with their current parks.

Rick Webb moved and Bert Diehl seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:14pm. Passed unanimously. Motion carried, 3-0. The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 14, 2025 at 6:15 at Munson Township Hall.

Bert Diehl, Chair

Julie Johnston, Secretary

cc: Township Trustees

Fiscal Officer

Road Superintendent