

Minutes of the Munson Township Park & Recreation Board Meeting Monday, April 13, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 6:19pm by Jim O'Neill.

Present: Claudia Toth (Chair), Jim O'Neill and Bert Diehl. Absent: Joe Rosboril

MINUTES

Claudia Toth made a motion which was seconded by Bert Diehl, to approve the meeting minutes from March 9, 2015. Passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Pond clinic update

Claudia Toth attended a Pond Clinic by Geauga and Portage Soil & Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs) on March 19, 2015. Ms. Toth learned about ponds and algae. She also learned that the pond at Scenic River Retreat is very healthy with no problems at this time. It may be due to the grass being cut close at the ponds edges and the Amur; the grass eating carp which live in the pond. There are many resources that Munson Township can use if they ever have pond issues.

Easter Egg Hunt- review

The Easter Egg Hunt was a scramble and it started before the advertised time which made it confusing to event goers. The advertised time is still good but the weather was cold and windy. Next year, the event start time will begin as scheduled.

Park maintenance check lists

The Trustee will be discussing the Park Check Lists at their meeting tomorrow, Tuesday, April 14, 2015.

Playground update

No updates to report at this time. The Road Department was working on the area next to Town Hall last week in preparation for the new playground.

NEW BUSINESS:

Fishing Derby – May 3, 2015

Trustee Andy Bushman typically runs this spring event. We have pamphlets from the fall Fishing Derby that can be passed out. Claudia Toth will talk with Mr. Bushman to see where he would like things set up. Last year the set up worked out well in spite of the chilly weather.

Baseball commissioner

No updates to report at this time. Joe Rosboril was to get in touch with the Baseball Commissioner. Park & Recreation Board members talked to the Trustees to make sure that baseball field preparation hasn't fallen through the cracks.

Kiosk notices

Notices of upcoming events such as Fishing Derby, Community Day Picnic etc., should be posted on the kiosks at Scenic River Retreat and Munson Township parks.

History of the park

A suggested Eagle Scout project would be making and laminated trail maps and history of the park for the kiosks. Another idea is adding plexiglas to the kiosks to protect the the maps, park history information and upcoming events from the weather.

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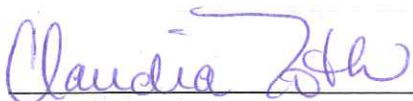
Trail maintenance day

Bert Diehl plans on assessing the walking trails at Nero Nature Preserve and marking the downed debris for the Road Department to remove. Park & Recreation Board members would like to meet at Nero Nature Preserve on May 11, 2015 to go over the trails. Scenic River Retreat trails are muddy and filled with poison ivy. Mr. Diehl will have an ATV report for Nero Nature Preserve since it has been a problem in the past.

ATTACHMENT:

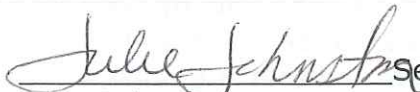
ADJOURNMENT:

Claudia Toth made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:16pm. The next meeting will be held Monday, May 11, 2015 - 6:15 at Nero Nature Preserve.



Claudia Toth

Chair



Julie Johnston

Secretary

cc: Park Board Members
Township Trustees and Fiscal Officer
Road Superintendent