

Minutes of the
Munson Township
Park & Recreation Board Meeting
Monday, October 10, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6:15pm by Jim O'Neill.

Present: Jim O'Neill (Chair), Joe Herczak and Bert Diehl. Absent: John McCreery and Joe Rosboril.

MINUTES

Bert Diehl made a motion which was seconded by Joe Herczak to approve the meeting minutes from September 12, 2016. The motion was passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Fishing Derby review

The Park & Recreation Board held the Fall Fishing Derby on Saturday, September 17, 2016 at Scenic River Retreat. The weather was cold and rainy and the event had a low turnout because of the weather conditions.

Scenic River Retreat update

Regarding the vandalism at the park last month; A generous resident will pay for the replacement costs of missing and damage items. Joe Herczak checks the park on a regular basis and noticed that the e-loos smell weird. He did some research on how e-loos work and found that they do need maintenance from time to time. Mr. Herczak gave Park & Recreation Board secretary, Julie Johnston a list of things for Road Superintendent to look over and to get his opinion on the e-loo's maintenance.

Joe Herczak met with Pete McDonald from The Western Reserve Land Conservancy to map out the unmapped portion of the park for trails. They moved the trail to higher ground to avoid the wet areas and marked trees with ribbon to complete the loop. There are a few areas which may need 20 to 30 foot board walks. Pine shavings will suffice for now to keep it primitive. Since the current paths are too narrow, Pete McDonald suggested that the trails be widened to 6 feet so people will know it is a trail. This is the perfect time to do this, before the leaves start falling. Mr. Herczak will meet Bert Diehl, Jim O'Neill and Cricket at the park this Saturday, October 15, 2016 to temporarily widen the paths and cut down saplings that are in the way. By doing this it will allow the Park & Recreation Board to see what the trails look like in all of the weather conditions.

NEW BUSINESS:

Breakfast with Santa & Mr. Claus

In the past, the Park & Recreation Board was a part of Breakfast with Santa & Mrs. Claus. Besides getting the supplies ready for the event and signing people in, Boy Scout Troop 91 did everything else. The Park Board feels that Troop 91 will benefit from the event if they were to take it all on and all of the proceeds will go to their Troop. Boy Scout Troop leaders agree that they would like to take on the event with the Township still processing sign-ups and sending out editorials.


2017 Events

The Park & Recreation Board will discuss 2017 events at their next meeting. One of the topics will be to possibly hold the Outdoor Flea Market at the Town Hall with vendors inside and outside under the Townships large tents. Resident Jack Smith suggested that different groups could be a part of the event to draw a larger crowd.

ADJOURNMENT

Jim O'Neill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10pm. The next meeting will be held Monday, November 14, 2016 at 6:15pm at Munson Town Hall.


Chair
Jim O'Neill


Secretary
Julie Johnston

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