

Minutes of the Munson Township Park & Recreation Board Meeting Monday, November 13, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:15pm by Dave Jirsa with Bert Diehl, Jim O'Neill and Rick Webb present at Munson Town Hall. Glenn Kinter was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Minutes

Dave Jirsa moved and Bert Diehl seconded to approve the minutes of October 16, 2023 as written. Motion carried, 4-0.

Old Business

Eagle Scout Project

Colson Christie of Boy Scout Troop 91 attended the meeting. A list was passed out to members with some potential Eagle Scout projects. The Board will have a small list of ideas for his project in January. The Park Board invited Mr. Christie to the January 2024 meeting.

Scenic River Retreat Dock, Floating Boardwalk

Trustee Andy Bushman is working on getting a full set of plans. There are a couple of different ways to fit the floating dock in the pond. Jeff Atchley of Metalcraft asked if 10' by 10' is large enough for the dock. Members agreed to that size. Mr. Bushman said he would call tomorrow to ask for dock drawings with elevations, measurements, and cost.

Disc Golf Course - Update

Dave Jirsa commented on how nice Nero Nature Preserve looks since the field was cut. He met a representative from Northeast Ohio Disc Golf Association at the park last Monday, November 6th. The representative placed flags for a 9-hole or 10-hole course today. He will be sending a sketch and a digital drawing. There are trees from the last big storm that were cut and set off to the side of the entrance road that need to be removed.

Fiscal Officer Todd Ray asked Board members if they are ready to apply for the permit from Geauga Soil & Water Conservation District to fill in a portion of wetlands where phragmites are taking over. Mr. Ray explained that the purpose of filling the wetland is to assist with controlling the invasive plant, phragmites, that currently dominates the wetland. It will allow mowing of much of the area, consistent with a park-like property. Rick Webb made a motion which was seconded by Dave Jirsa to ask the Trustees to proceed with submitting an application for the Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide permit 42, to allow filling 1/3 acre of wetland at Scenic River Retreat Auburn Road parking access. Motion carried, 4-0.

Parks Landscape Re-Design

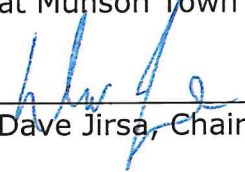
Park Board members were given a copy of the maps that landscape contractors use for their landscape quoting process. They were asked to mark on them the areas

they would like mowed so they can be added to the bid packages. As far as re-designing the areas that need sprucing-up, the landscape company who is awarded the mowing contract for that park will be asked to give us a separate quote on that job.

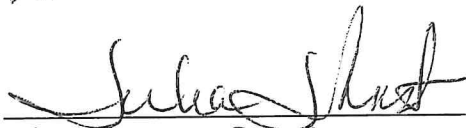
Jim O'Neill emailed a picture of the damaged Chardon baseball decal logo at the Munson Township Park. Doug Snyder and Brian Long (CHS Athletic Director and Baseball Head Coach, respectively) were alerted of this damage. They will most likely wait until spring to repair it. The batting cages are still up at the park and need to come down before winter.

Rick Webb spoke with United Way regarding their "Little Free Libraries". He will be attending a meeting on December 13th. He would like to see it placed between the Town Hall and the playground. After the information is gathered and the Board has decided they would like to move forward, Trustee approval would be the next step.

Dave Jirsa moved and Jim O'Neill seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:15pm. Motion carried, 4-0. The next meeting will be Monday, December 11, 2023 at 6:15 at Munson Town Hall.



Dave Jirsa, Chair



Julie Johnston, Secretary

cc: Township Trustees
Fiscal Officer
Road Superintendent