

Minutes of the Munson Township Park & Recreation Board Meeting Monday, February 12, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:15pm by Bert Diehl. Present: Bert Diehl (Chair), Jim O'Neill and Joe Herczak

MINUTES

Jim O'Neill made a motion which was seconded by Joe Herczak to approve the meeting minutes from January 8, 2018. The motion was passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Girls Softball Dugouts - Munson Township Park</u>

Stewart Landies, Vice President of Residence Artists, has a sophomore daughter who belongs to the Chardon High School Softball League. Chardon is the only school in its conference that does not have dugouts for their team. Mr. Landies would like to build the dugouts and is attending the meeting this evening for approval from the Park & Recreation Board and direction on what the next step is to complete the process. Mr. Landies passed out pictures of dugouts for Park & Recreation Board members to view. He is not sure if the dugouts should be on the JV or Varsity Fields and prefers the concrete (approximate cost \$15,000 per field) over the wood structure (approximate cost \$10,000 per field). Since Chardon High School doesn't own the fields, they are unable to make improvements. Area businesses have donated \$5,000 so far and a fundraiser can be held if needed. Mr. Landies would like to have the dugouts complete by April 9th, Joe Herczak was curious to know if the new structure would block the view of spectators. Bert Diehl wanted to know who will be maintaining the dugouts. Trustee Andy Bushman mentioned that Chardon High School currently pays for half of the field maintenance since they use the Park on a regular basis. Park & Recreation Board members want to make sure that any new structure will match the park and are concerned that Munson Township may have to pay for the project. Mr. Landies shared that there are a couple businesses that will be donating and the Baseball League may donate as well making sure that Munson Township would not be responsible to pay for the dugouts. Mr. Bushman told Mr. Landies that the Trustees will need an architectural drawing with a professional stamp. He also stated there is a lot of homework that needs to be done before a drawing can be made. It was mentioned he should look at the dugouts at NDCL. Bert Diehl made a motion which was seconded by Jim O'Neill that the Park & Recreation Board will support the initiative to building dugouts at the girl's softball field at Munson Township Park with no cost to the Township. The motion was passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Park Survey - Update

Joe Herczak compiled all of the survey that we have received. To help encourage residents to take the survey, it was suggested that hard copies of the survey be placed at the office and be available for anyone attending the Flea Market. The survey will conclude on March 19th.

Grant Status

Trustee Irene McMullen sent the grant information. It may be a while before the Township hears anything.

Boy Scout Scenic River Retreat Trails

No information to report at this time.

Flea Market - March 17th

There are only a few available vendor spots. Park Board members will need to meet the day before to mark out spaces in the fire bay and the morning of the Flea Market to open up for vendors to set up their spots. Cheerleaders will be selling concessions for the day.

Easter Egg Hunt - March 31st

The Girl Scout Troop is scheduled for March 21 to fill the candy bags. More information will follow at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Jim O'Neill made a motion which was seconded by Joe Herczak to adjourn the meeting at 7:26pm. The next meeting will be held Monday, March 12, 2018 at 6:15pm at Munson Town Hall.

Bert Diehl Cha

cc: Park Board Members Township Trustees and Fiscal Officer

Road Superintendent