

## Minutes of the Munson Township Park & Recreation Board Meeting Monday, March 11, 2024

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

### Minutes

Dave Jirsa moved and Rick Webb seconded to approve the minutes of February 12, 2024 as written. Passed unanimously. Motion carried, 3-0.

### Old Business

#### Eagle Scout Project

Colson Christie attended the meeting to discuss the placement of the kiosk and benches at Nero Nature Preserve. He plans on starting to build the benches soon. He will email the kiosk drawing to Board members once it is finished. Bert Diehl and Dave Jirsa will meet at the park to determine the best location for the kiosk this week.

#### Scenic River Retreat Dock, Floating Boardwalk

The Trustees approved the floating dock at Scenic River Retreat at their last meeting. Jeff Atchley of Metalcraft Docks plans to have the project completed by June 15<sup>th</sup> for the Fishing Derby.

Todd Ray updated the Board regarding the floating boardwalk. There is a new representative at the Army Corps of Engineers. Coleen Sharp of Geauga Soil and Water mentioned that we may need a wetland delineation to determine what part of the area is wetlands that will be filled in. One-tenth of an acre is allowed to be filled in without a permit. Members will ask the Trustees to request the dead trees be removed by the Road Department before April 1<sup>st</sup> in preparation for the possibility of the Army Corps of Engineers giving us permission to add soil where needed. The trees are located on the south side of the parking lot in the phragmites. Todd had heard from a reliable source that the Army Corps of Engineers prefer boardwalks built on lumber post vs. floating boardwalk. This will ensure it is built above the highest water level, so animals have room to pass under the bridge. The Geauga Park System built a boardwalk on posts that is 6' wide at \$60 per linear foot. Bert Diehl moved and Rick Webb seconded to request the Road Department to remove 10 or more dead trees from the phragmites area at the Auburn/Sherman Roads area.

#### Nero Park Disc Golf course

Road Superintendent Kirk Walker emailed quotes to Board members last week for clearing the area in preparation for the disc golf course. There are too many stumps and tripping hazards in that area. It would be easier to clean it out now before the project begins.

### Landscape at Parks

The awarded landscape bids have been informed of the landscape upgrade at the parks. As the landscape contractors submit their upgrade recommendations, they will be emailed to Park & Recreation Board members. Once all have been received, there will be a discussion on how to move forward. Trustee Andy Bushman would like Board members to send Secretary Julie Johnston an email of any desired improvements for the parks, above and beyond landscaping, big or small.

### Free Library Box

Yvonne Pecka of United Way informed Rick Webb that the Boy Scouts have started to build the library box for Town Hall. A post in a mulched area seems to be the best idea for placement. Board members will mark an area they see best fit. Members will also keep it filled with books from the Chardon Book Bank.

### New Business

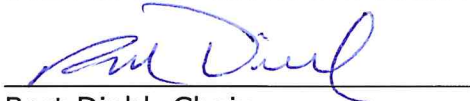
#### Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday, March 30

There is a group of Girl Scout parents who volunteered to stuff the candy bags this year. The room will be set up and ready to pack for his Thursday. Board members are asked to meet at Township Park at 9am.

#### Indoor Flea Market – Saturday, April 6

Vendor spaces are almost sold out.

Dave Jirsa moved and Bert Diehl seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:23pm. Passed unanimously. Motion carried, 3-0. The next meeting will be Monday, April 8, 2024 at 6:15 at Munson Town Hall.



Bert Diehl, Chair



Julie Johnston, Secretary

cc: Township Trustees  
Fiscal Officer  
Road Superintendent