

Minutes of the Munson Township Park & Recreation Board Meeting Monday, April 10, 2023

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

Before the minutes were approved, members discussed a conversation with a Trustee at the Easter Egg Hunt. The topic centered on how the Trustees were presented the Project list approved by the Board at the March 13, 2023, Park and Recreation Board Meeting. Board Members were concerned as the Trustee mentioned projects not discussed during meetings and which were not on the project list. Board Members were told the project list was presented as voted on, to the Trustees.

Minutes

Dave Jirsa moved and Bert Diehl seconded to approve the minutes of March 20, 2023 as written. Motion carried, 4-0.

Old Business

Floating Dock – There was a question from a visitor concerning the location of the floating dock. Members explained the location. Discussion ensued over whether multiple bids would be needed for the project. Members would inquire whether the current bid fell under state bid pricing and if that would eliminate the need for additional quotes. Members will discuss their findings at the next meeting. Once it is verified the Board can move forward with or without multiple bids, the next step would be to put in a request to the Trustees to fund the project.

Concert in the Park

The Hickory Rockers are set for July 15th at Scenic River Retreat. Members discussed creating fliers to put in the kiosks at all the parks to advertise the concert. Members also discussed the creation of an electronic flier for the show.

Flea Market Recap

Members discussed the successful 2023 Flea Market. The total amount raised was looking to be similar to 2022. Members discussed possibly raising the prices for the indoor spots next year as they provide more advantages than the fire station spaces. Discussion tabled until the next meeting.

Easter Egg Hunt

Members believed this year's event may have had the largest crowd for the event. The decision to shorten the time between the arrival of the Easter Bunny and the Easter Egg Hunt seemed to make the process flow smoothly. The time was shortened from 30 minutes to 15 minutes. Members said they received very positive feedback from many of the families attending.

Scoreboard Update

Members were informed that both the baseball and softball field scoreboards were operational, but at the moment only one could be operated at a time. In order to be operated simultaneously parts were ordered and were expected to be delivered shortly.

Pickleball Court Update

Members discussed having the net put up for the season and getting the sign moved to the correct position. The discussion then moved to whether a ribbon cutting should be planned and reaching out to the media to promote the event. No date was set and further discussion was planned.

Work at Auburn Road Scenic River Entrance

Members and Fiscal Officer Todd Ray discussed the planned landscaping work at the Scenic River Auburn Road entrance on Saturday, April 15, 2023. The Road Department provided equipment and a crew member to help with the project. Fiscal Officer Ray did not expect the project to last more than two hours. The Road Department located the property pins. Discussion also centered on the filling of some areas with soil and planting grass. The Army Corp of Engineers were involved in the process and members will continue to discuss possibilities at future meetings.

Nature Works Grant and Disc Golf Course at Nero Nature Preserve

Members discussed if they should move forward on applying for the State of Ohio Nature Works Grant for a Disc Golf Course at Nero Nature Preserve. Members decided they would move forward with applying for the grant. Dave Jirsa moved and Bert Diehl seconded to move forward with applying for the Nature Works Grant to pursue a Disc Golf Course at Nero Nature Preserve. Motion carried 5-0.

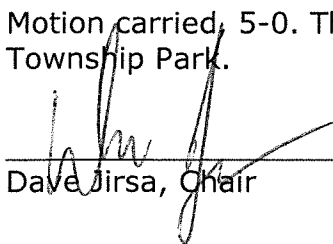
Old Business

Trail Maps – Members discussed the addition of Trail Maps in the kiosks at each park. The Auditor's office was contacted concerning acquiring these maps. This discussion led to members discussing other things to include within the park kiosks. Members discussed adding fliers for the photo contest, fishing derby, and community days.

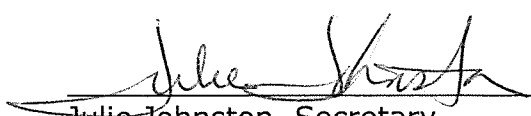
Townhall Park

Member Rick Webb volunteered to fill out and present the checklist for the park located at Townhall.

Bert Diehl moved and Dave Jirsa seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:11pm. Motion carried, 5-0. The next meeting will be Monday, May 8, 2023 at 6:15 at Township Park.



Dave Jirsa, Chair



Julie Johnston, Secretary

cc: Township Trustees
Fiscal Officer
Road Superintendent