

Minutes of the
Munson Township
Parks and Recreation Board
Meeting

Tuesday, June 11, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 6:28pm by Joe Rosboril.

Present: Joe Rosboril (Chairman), Bob Marn, Claudia Toth, and Art Hollis.

MINUTES

Joe Rosboril made a motion which was seconded by Bob Marn, to approve the meeting minutes from May 14, 2013. Passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Basketball Court Fence Repair

Someone from the baseball league put plastic bags over the "No Parking" signs during the playoffs. Vehicles were parked everywhere. Munson Elementary school parking lot was also full. There doesn't seem to be any damage to the grounds despite the signs being covered up.

The signs at the park that read "No Alcoholic Beverages & Soft Toss" are two conflicting subjects. There is also a banner hanging on the baseball field backstop and no one knows who put it there.

The lack of parking at Munson Township Park creates an issue. The head of Chardon Baseball League mentioned to Joe Rosboril that there are many compliments on the beauty of Munson Parks but the parking is so limited. The Park Board will look into the possibility of additional parking. One option may be adding parking lot lines to the current space which may help more cars fit. Last year, the parking lot objection was that the Fire Department could not park a truck and ambulance side by side if the need would arise.

The basketball fence has been damaged by landscapers. A steel cable was never run at the bottom of the fence which strengthens it. Park Board members hope that the repairs include the steel bar along the bottom of the fence. The members are not sure who is paying for the repairs. It may be fifty percent with Munson Township and Chardon Baseball League.

Baseball Field Prep Specifications

Nothing to report at this time.

Nero Park Entrance off Ravenna Road

Art Hollis met with Jeff Hazen of Hazen Contracting Inc. Mr. Hazen provided an estimate for a driveway off of State Route 44. Mr. Hazen mentioned that it may be tough to get the State of Ohio to approve an entrance off of a State Route. Mr. Hollis will continue looking into this matter.

Maple Leaf Newspaper retraction/correction

Bob Marn is working on a letter to submit to Geauga County Maple Leaf newspaper on behalf of the Park Board as a whole. Claudia Toth was not a member of the Park Board at the time the misleading article was published. Ms. Toth wants to see the letter before it is sent for her approval. Mr. Marn assured Park Board members that they will all review the letter before it is sent. The article will point out that the Park Board makes recommendations only and any money spent must be approved by the Trustees.

NEW BUSINESS:

Concert in The Park – June 22, 2013

Parking for the event will be handled by Park Board members. Joe Rosboril, Claudia Toth, and Art Hollis will be there. Bob Marn is unable to attend. The Park Board is hoping that there will be 200 people in attendance.

2013 Projects

- a. Trails at Nero Nature Preserve – Bob Marn met with Jim McCaskey and walked the trails at Nero Nature Preserve. There are trails that need to be abandoned and moved to bypass swamps, wetlands, etc. Jim McCaskey will arrange a meeting with the head of Geauga Park District and Park Board members to get an idea of cost. The trails must be put in the correct way so people will utilize them.
- b. Fireplace at Scenic River Retreat – Claudia Toth doesn't have drawings of the pavilion at Scenic River Retreat. She will call another contractor to see if she needs the drawings for an estimate. Three estimates are necessary to move forward on the fireplace. Art Hollis will assist Claudia Toth on this matter.
- c. Parking lot paving and sewers – Joe Rosboril will attend the Trustees meeting to see if the Trustees are ready to move forward with the asphalt grinding project for Munson Township Park.

Stanley Klatka - donations

Munson Township has received donations for Scenic River Retreat in memory of Stanley Klatka who recently passed away. Currently there is \$325 in donations. Since Mr. Klatka used to live at the property, the Park Board would like to purchase a dedication plaque to place on the fireplace when it is complete.

Circus

Joe Rosboril and the Park Board members learned about the upcoming Circus in the newspapers. The Trustees felt that it was a park event that is not typically approved by the Park Board. Trustee Todd Ray will ask the spokesman from Knights of Columbus to meet with Park Board members prior to the event. The Park Board is concerned about the soccer field,

semi-trucks, large animals, parking and overloaded bathrooms. Joe Rosboril was told that when the Circus was held at the West Geauga Plaza in Chesterland, stakes were driven into the asphalt parking lot. If the soccer field is soft, it will be a big problem. Park Board members will take photographs before the event so that any damage will be repaired by Knights of Columbus. The Memorandum of Understanding states that the Park Board should have been notified about the Circus as a group.

OTHER BUSINESS

ATTACHMENT:

ADJOURNMENT:

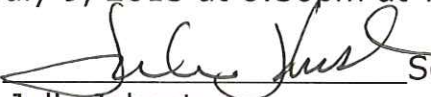
Art Hollis made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41pm which was seconded Bob Marn and unanimously approved.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, July 9, 2013 at 6:30pm at Town Hall.



Joe Rosboril

Chairman



Julie Johnston

Secretary

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