

Minutes of the
Munson Township
Park and Recreation Board
Meeting

Wednesday, June 20, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Bob Marn.

Present: Robert Marn (Chairman), Jon Schroeter and Joe Rosboril.

Absent: John Kaczynski and Charlie Pitcock

MINUTES

Bob Marn made a motion which was seconded by Joe Rosboril, to approve the meeting minutes from May 9, 2012. Passed unanimously.

Bob Marn made a motion which was seconded by Jon Schroeter, to approve the special meeting minutes from May 22, 2012. Passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Basketball Court Fence

Andy Bushman obtained an estimate for chain link fence repairs from Thomas Fence which he will give to Joe Rosboril. Joe will get 2 additional estimates for the work and present them at the July Park Board meeting. Munson Baseball League will pay for half of the repairs and the other half will be the responsibility of Munson Township.

Tennis Court Parking – Zoning Variance and Cost

Munson Township Zoning Appeals Board turned down the proposed tennis court parking area. It was suggested we consider creating parking on the other side of the driveway which would not require a variance. The Park Board has a concern that the drain tile may be at risk on that side of the driveway. The Park Board decided to drop this issue at this time and revisit it next year.

Baseball Field Prep Specifications

Bob Marn and John Kaczynski will develop the field prep specs before fall.

Nero Trails

Grant research needs to be completed before the work can be done. As a starting point, the trails at Nero Park need to have markers at both starting and ending points of the trails. Bob Marn is taking responsibility for the trails. The Boy Scouts may select this project for their community service project.

Slab Removal and Electric Enclosure at Nero Park

Marn presented to the Trustees the Park Board's recommendations for the removal of the concrete slab at Nero Park and the enclosure of the electric lines that are coiled on the ground. These matters have been assigned to Jim Teichman, Road Superintendent, for completion.

Projects for Scouts

The Boy Scouts are seeking community service projects. Joe Rosboril will contact the Boy Scouts to see which projects they can do. Joe will continue to follow up on this matter.

Nero Pull-Off Parking

The drive into Nero Park needs to be widened or crowned with a pull off parking area added. The Park Board is getting quotes from Tom Hall, Ronyak Bros. and Jim Teichman, Munson Township Road Department.

Tennis Court Repair

Joe Rosboril talked to a repair company and was advised to let the courts alone for a period of 1 to 2 years. The cracks have not grown much in size. He was told to not to let the Road Department fill the cracks since the tar that was used in the cracks needs to come out for the repair substance to work. The Park Board will revisit this matter in the future.

Spring Maintenance List

The Park Board Chairman, Bob Marn, has talked with Jim Teichman in regards to the 4 items still remaining on the Spring Maintenance list. They are as follows: 1) Fertilize baseball/soccer fields; will be done in the fall, 2) Poison Ivy control; finished, 3) Stain wood at Munson Parks; 1 day of work remaining with the ends of the pavilions to be done and 4) Electric at Scenic River Retreat; ordered part for flag pole and waiting to install.

Playgrounds

Bob Marn attended the Trustees meeting on June 12, 2012 where the Trustees approved the removal of the non-commercial playground structure at Bass Lake Park behind field #2. Jim Teichman knows someone who will take it and will arrange for its removal. The Park board is obtaining 3 quotes for the removal of two other playgrounds – one at Bass Lake and one at Nero park. Quotes are being sought for adding drainage in front of the Bass lake playground. The Trustees approved \$3,000 for mulch at the Bass Lake Park for the playground and Wellness Stations. Mulch installation needs to be done as soon as possible. "Ready to Haul" will deliver 100 yards of mulch and installed for \$3,000. Andy Bushman will borrow a special tool to crimp the "S hooks" on the playground swings.

Kiosk Move at Scenic River

Bob Marn recommended to the Trustees that the kiosk located at Scenic River Retreat be moved since it is currently in the flower bed. Joe Rosboril has concerns with the placement that had been previously discussed. The kiosk, large in size, may block the view of the park's natural beauty. The Park Board members will rethink the kiosk's position and visit Scenic River Retreat to discuss this matter further.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lisa Breier – Boy Scouts

Lisa Breier, Committee Chair for Boy Scout Troop #91, was present with a few Boy Scouts to discuss the Community Day Picnic. They will help set up as in the past years. She asked if ice cream tickets can be redeemed for the snow cones that the Boy Scouts sell to raise money for their camping trips, etc. The Boy Scouts will sell the snow cones to the Township for this event at a reduced rate. The Park Board will talk with Paula Friebertshauser, Community Day Chair, and get back with her on this matter.

Lisa also stated that there are 4-5 Boy Scouts ready for their Eagle Projects. The Scouts have a list to choose from and they will contact the Township as to their choice of the chosen project. The Scouts raise money on their own for equipment and supplies needed but the Township can also provide the same to ease the burden of the Boy Scout.

Community Day Picnic Update

It was proposed that we sell wristbands at this year's Community Day Picnic along with single tickets for the games. The Park Board decided that it would be too confusing since wristbands would be good for only a few games and not all. Donations for the Chinese Auction have started to come in and Park Board members are asked to call on their assigned businesses for donations.

Concert in the Park – July, August, September

The Concert in the Park held at Scenic River Retreat on June 16, 2012 was a successful event with approximately 150 people attending. The Park Board will plan on the third Saturday of each month July through September for these events to be held at Scenic River Retreat. Joe Rosboril will call and schedule various bands for the upcoming months.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Nero Park Entrance off Ravenna Road

Park Board member, John Kaczynski, asked Bob Marn to bring up to the Board the possibility of putting a small pull-off or parking area located on Ravenna Road at the north east corner of Nero Park. The Park Board is in favor and this matter and has assigned this project to John Kaczynski to

lead. Bob Marn made a motion which was seconded by Joe Rosboril, to look further into adding an entrance on Ravenna Rd. at Nero Park. Passed unanimously.

Budget for Capital Projects

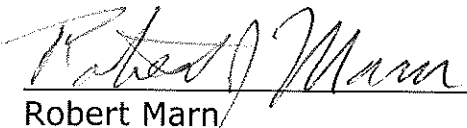

Bob Marn is to submit a list of capital projects for 2012/2013 to Judith Toth, Munson Township's Fiscal Officer, per her request.

ATTACHMENT

ADJOURNMENT:

Bob Marn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm which was seconded by Jon Schroeter and unanimously approved.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, July 18, 2012 at 5:30 pm at Munson Township Hall.

 Chairman  Secretary
Robert Marn Julie Johnston

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