

Newbury Township Park Board

Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2017,

Newbury Town Hall

Present: Judy Barnhart, Mark Fritch, Wayne Mansfield, Jim Stephancin, Roger Mezak

Guests: Glen Quigley

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m., minutes of August meeting read and approved with minor corrections.

Park board positions:

Carol was officially appointed to the Park Board at the last trustee meeting

Oberland Park.

Trustees are looking into the Conservation Easement. Les has been in contact with Bret Rodstrom who is sending a conservation easement. Wayne is out of town next week, a meeting was scheduled to review the conservation easement proposal for Monday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m. Glen will make sure it is put in the paper.

- Need material to seal the entrance rock.

- Evan from Impullitti tree asked about funding for the skate park, wants to put up a sign stating future home of..

Veterans Park

- Impullitti is done with their portion of the project Glen will review with them a few minor issues to be addressed.

- 100 perennials and 20 trees were donated and planted. Dan found a service who will water the plants.

- Need to put down wood chips between evergreens to protect from mowers.

- Independent tree provided fertilizer and bed work for the trees, will maintain trees in the future, they donated the big logs and chain saw work.

- A woman sent a check for a tree to be planted in her husband's name, who went to Newbury.

- In future will have a process for buying bricks for the walkway

- Glen working on grants from Lowes and Home Depot.

- Jim suggested using the grant money to buy a mower to take care of beds

- Geauga feed store donated the grass seed, need to schedule a work day to spread seed.

- Haven't heard back on the joint grant to be split with Russell Township

- Zeppes golf outing this weekend looking for volunteers.

Mike Munn will be recognized with a tree planting.

- Wayne would like to use tree spade to move a couple trees from tree line at Oberland Park to Veterans Park to shield the church, may need to locate pins again between properties.

- looking for a drone to take pictures of Veterans Park to put on the website.

200th Anniversary

The geocache is still in place at Grange Park but chain is blocking access to the back, Glen will have it taken down.

- a request was made to use the bicentennial logo on a gun with a nominal return for any sold, board was not in favor of it.

Carol out with eye surgery so no report on bicentennial

-Mark reported that 130 cars registered for the car show, plus 10 additional showed up. Cars came from Eastlake and Ravenna too. Music Boosters made over \$1000 and ran out of food. - Mark would like to repeat the car show again next year, will plan a date at the beginning of the year.

_Mark still wants to offer a movie night. Will need to rent screen and get movie license

-Question raised what to do with the cake, it's at Zeppes now, suggestion of burning it for homecoming or at tree lighting ceremony in December to signal the end of the bicentennial year.

-Other possible programs repeated suggested, talks, school house program which didn't get rescheduled, Les may want to do a tractor ride again, Mark would like to do a separate truck show but needs larger parking area, Glen to check on availability of fair grounds

Next special meeting to review Conservation Easement proposal Monday September 25,7:00 at town hall

Next regular meeting Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at town hall.

Judy Barnhart– Newbury Park Board Secretary