# **Newbury Township Park Board**

## **Meeting Minutes**

February 12, 2015, Newbury Town Hall

Present: Judy Barnhart, Mark Fritch, Wayne Mansfield, Roger Mezak, Les Ober Guests: boy scout Mike Fenstermaker and his mother Heather, trustee Glen Quigley

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

Minutes of January meeting read and approved.

## **Oberland Park**

**Eagle Scout Project:** Mike did some research on plants that were suggested. Couldn't reach Eric Draper at OSU extension and decided on planting Serviceberry. He got prices for 3-4 foot trees, thought bigger trees needed. Would need a minimum of 25 trees. along south side of drive. No trees needed on north side so Les can still navigate a tractor while harvesting hay. Les will contact some nurseries he knows to get prices on larger trees. May need tubes around base to protect from deer browse. Glen suggested he could send a township truck to pick them up. Mike will try and get tree sponsors whose name can be put on the trees or a plaque. Mike's mother Heather was asked if she would be interested in the open board position. She will consider.

Glen talked to Doug Ule about usage of field 5, he will try and renew interest. with rec board. A senior housing project was proposed on the 20 acres behind the school which would take all the rec board fields. We need to keep an eye on what is going on as it is adjacent to the park property.

#### Rt. 87 and Auburn Corner/Veterans Park

Glen brought blue prints for the gazebo which have been signed by the architect. Henry Pentilla. He needs to redraw the roof. Gazebo roof is 20' on each side of the pentagon with a 2 foot overhang. a lighted cupola was added on top which would entail lighting costs if kept lit all the time or could use solar panels instead. Group liked idea of top lighted up and will pursue the idea. Cupola could be made in copper. Power could be run down each corner post Township has the driveway permit application in, next step is to get area staked out after the snow melts. The drive will be directly across from the town hall drive with gazebo to the north of the parking area. Cost for drive and parking estimated to be about \$40,000 from GAR paving. Still working on fundraising..

#### Other

Newbury won the case on having the mulching business evicted. No final appeal has been filed. They have a year before it goes to the zoning board. but they do not have to listen to BZA so still up in the air.

Next regular meeting: March 12. Judy Barnhart – Newbury Park Board Secretary