# **Newbury Township Park Board**

## **Meeting Minutes**

June 9, 2016, Oberland Park shelter Present: Judy Barnhart, Mark Fritch, Wayne Mansfield, Jim Stafancin, Les Ober, Roger Mezak Guests: trustee Glen, Carol Drabek, Jan and Ken Blair,

Meeting called to order at 7:20.after cookout at shelter Minutes of May meeting approved as sent via email, minutes of special skate park meeting read and approved.

#### **Eagle Scout projects**

No scouts in attendance

## **Oberland Park**

-Wayne laid out proposed 50x100 skate park with stakes east of the volleyball court. Drain depression could be used as part of a ramp.

Wayne talked to Sue Wagner who knows someone that does fundraising.

Glen stell has to check on liability.

-Glen received a complaint from family of scout who installed the flag pole that the flag was not flown on Memorial Day- need to get lighting installed so can display flag properly.

A solar power light costs \$125 which points downward so could light up the flag from the top of the flag pole or run an electric line

Zoning does not permit upward pointing lights in keeping the dark sky recommendations. Shelter lights- plan to install 8, 3 on each long side with one on each end.

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

Glen gave an update:

-an eagle weather vane was installed on top of the gazebo.

-the cupola with windows will be installed next week.

-Glen talked to the state, they have received our grant application. No formal agreement was made with Auburn township, with both townships requesting \$11,000.

-Glen will meet with Impulitti Landscaping about the playground which will have military or WWII theme.

-Will start walkway next

-planning to save the parking lot for last in the hopes of getting a donation for it.

-Fred of Van Ness would like to give a stone donation per Jan

If can't get a tank Mr Soplata has old planes which might be used instead.

#### 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Carol passed out calendars of events already scheduled for next year including a speaker series on alternate Wednesday evenings at the town hall, Union Chapel open houses.

-August is light right now

-Mark suggested an antique car show and will coordinate

-Les suggested a tractor parade and will check with Jim Timmons

-Carol asked about donations. Can they be funneled through Kiwanis who is a 501c3

organization. Glen will look into how to handle the donations for the next meeting.

-July 19 is the concert in the park put on through Chagrin Falls – Jan is organizing.

-Joe Koziel is a good contact with the Courier to get stories in the paper.

-Geauga Park District is scheduled to do an Ansel's Cave program along with a south Newbury cematary talk and tour.

Glen suggested geocaching at Newbury Historical sites. Judy to check with local geocacher to see if she knows someone who might be interested in setting it up.

-\$10,00 budget was approved by the trustees for the anniversary

-Carol asked if township could get a one year membership for 2017 with Destination Geauga who would advertise our events in their calendar. Its \$95 for the year Glen will reimburse Carol if she pays.

-Les suggested contacting Western Reserve Land Conservancy about doing some publicity due to the number of properties preserved in Newbury, they might get more land preserved if the advertise. They might also give a monetary donation.

A final decision was made on the banner layout. Option A #2 with the larger font was selected. Beners include hanging hardware for \$135.00.

Rack cards are \$95 for 1000, \$205 for 3000, decided to go with the larger amount. Will have the schedule of event on one side with colorful banner logo on the other.

-Bill Ward can give a Civil War talk.

-Judy will look into doing something on the Interurban

Leadership Geauga will have a 18x24 cast aluminum historical marker made for Fullertown instead of town hall-

Next regular meeting Thursday, July 14, 2016 at town hall.

Judy Barnhart – Newbury Park Board Secretary