

Park Board May Minutes

Newbury Township Park Board

Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2017,

Newbury Town Hall

Present: Judy Barnhart, Mark Fritch, Wayne Mansfield, , Les Ober, Jim Stephancin,

Guests: Carol Draybek, Glen Quigley, Jan & Ken Blair

Meeting called to order at 7:35. April minutes read and approved with minor corrections.

Eagle Scout Projects

-boy Scout Rafe Proctor who wants to build a fire pit for American flags. Fire Department concerned about open burning, since it is a ceremonial fire it is permitted. Landscapers like the idea.

Oberland Park.

Les passed out his sugarbush lease agreement to the trustees which includes the hay field outlining the use of electricity to pump his sap, He will reimburse township for electricity used Nov 1st to May 1st. Les hopes to get a seven year lease signed before he purchases the electrical equipment for pumping the sap. Lease will include best management practices for the trails. Les foresees paying \$1.00 per tap adding up to **approximately \$500. Lease will have a \$100,000 liability clause and will have his partner Todd's name on the lease. Park Board recommends keeping sugaring going as its part of Geauga's history.**

-the Newbury Wet labs program on sugaring was moved indoors due to heavy rain.

Glen did not get maps of the Park yet to review the development plan.

Soccer fields were fertilized today with another application planned for the fall

-soil tests were not done, no need to spend the money as fertilization needed done.

Two porta potties were dropped off.

-The entrance rock is cracking again, will need stone guy to look at it.

-Wayne planning to measure for lighting for volleyball, skate park and parking lot.

-Topic was brought up on how to keep volleyballs from rolling into the driveway, Judy to look into shrubs rather than a fence

-Wayne demonstrated the light fixture he got for the rock.

Rt. 87 and Auburn Corner/Veterans Park

Glen applied for one grant, as did Russell Township, each asking for ½ of \$23,000. We were not eligible for the other grant.

-the contract is signed for the trail just waiting for nice weather to start, using asphalt grindings for trail. The grant stipulates the money be spent in Newbury, such as Impullitti and Hoenigman.

Wayne from Impullitti was going to ask Ronyak Paving about doing the parking area, have not heard back yet.

200th Anniversary

-need to pass out concert and summer program flyers along the parade route, not allowed to pass out in the auditorium

-question raised if the historical engine show is the weekend before our will tractor drivers want to come out two weekends in a row, plus issue of insurance as it was called a tractor ride. We will still be holding event as a tractor parade; no one is riding on the tractors except the driver who will sign a Hold Harmless agreement.

-Judy gave Carol information on how to access the geocache information to put on the flyers.

-Carol had a personalized hold-harmless form for the car show to show the trustees.

Suggestion made to move meeting to at 7:00 start times so can get home earlier.

The Next regular meeting Thursday, June 8, 2017 at Oberland Park with a picnic.

Judy Barnhart– Newbury Park Board Secretary