

Newbury Township Park Board

Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2023,

Newbury Town Hall

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

Guests: Lisa Dimattio, trustees Bill Skomrock, Greg Tropf, Roger Mesak

meeting was called to order at 6:30 Minutes of March read and approved

Oberland Park:

Roger questioned moving the electrical poles to Oberland Park, need to check the voltage to make sure it will work before moving.

Judy had a successful hike for Foundation for Geauga Parks on April 8. 41 people were in attendance. Wayne and Jim cleared the downed trees from the March wind storms.

Jim reached out to trustees about outhouse facility. Greg talked to Howard Bates and John Oros of Geauga Park District. They would prefer running water for park outhouses but can't afford. It will cost \$28,000 for the tap in fee to the old school septic system. Greg had fires for a4-stall Romtec units will cost \$150-200,000. 1 unisex stall will reduce the cost. Well cost \$17,000. Bill mentioned an issue with flies at Swine Creek, a vacuum system will help alleviate that problem. Roger offered to do the plumbing gratis.

- Need an engineer to draw up plans. Greg will continue to investigate and bring up at next trustee meeting.

-Chesterland Soccer League wants to use the school stadium but will bring in their own porta-potties as current one is too far away. The old concession stand and restrooms will come down.

-Someone from Prots is interested is starting a woman's softball league using the new field 5.Pins are in for the bases for baseball and will have to be realigned.

-Doug is looking at paving the drive to the parking lot to reduce dust and avoid oiling each year. Speed bumps will need to be installed to slow traffic.

-Anytime fitness would like to start a youth group and use Oberland Park for fitness activities. They could use the current 7 Eagle Scout exercise stations.

Bob Ruxtell walks the trails regularly and lets Wayne know about downed trees. He is willing to fill in low areas but needs more stone. #57 washed gravel best material for trails as won't affect pH of soil for the maple trees.

A Newbury resident stopped in and requested running water and a concession stand for the park.

Veterans Park:

-Greg stressed getting a drive and Parking lot in is priority. Looked at plans a rectangular parking lot will allow for more parking than the circular drive.

Eagle Scout Project: No update

Events:

Car Show: Car show committee met before Park Board meeting. Mark has a vendor who wants to do Bar-B-Q at the car show. Lisa brought a proposal from Tracer a Newbury group, to play after the car show from 7:00-10:00 p.m. for \$1000. They will need 203 hours before to set up.

Easter Egg hunt: Lisa checked with Maggie about doing an event. She didn't have time to organize this year, but will work with Lisa next year. Lisa would also like to have the Easter Bunny at the fire station. She will have to consult Ken Fagan.

-There was a request for a tree lighting ceremony with Cider and Donuts

A work session is scheduled for Thursday, April 20 at 5:30 to weed Oberland Park entrance rock bed

Next regular meeting Thursday, May 11 at 6:30 at town hall,
Judy Barnhart– Newbury Park Board Secretary