

# Newbury Township Park Board

## Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2025

Oberland Park

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

Guests: Eric Hammond, trustee Dave Lair

Meeting called to order at 6:54 p.m. after and a picnic. Minutes of August read and approved

### **Oberland Park:**

-Dave Gave updates from trust meeting. Signs for keeping dogs on leash will be posted. BMX bikes have been entering ball fields Need to line access points with logs to discourage and make sure gate is locked.

-Pickleball courts are moving forward. \$7500 grant needs to be used this year or will lose. Need to get base installed to prove it was started. Hoping to not have to go out for bid. Area is marked off east of Bocce ball court.

-Restroom installation will start late fall

-Jim had a request from a Trop 99 scout to install benches by pickleball court next spring. Dave asked if they can be 2-seeded to have viewers watch bocce as well. Need to put down gravel below so area does not need mowed. Scout unable to attend meeting tonight, will come in October.

-Need to order crushed concrete for trails soon. Dave will have it dumped in NE corner of parking lot.

-Need tractor Licenses before can use will schedule a session to watch training video when it comes in.

-Once have use of tractor can continue working on the new trail.

-Discussion on abandoned soccer nets left in the hidden meadow and how to get them removed. Dave spoke with Steve in charge of soccer before meeting adjourned and he will take them apart this weekend. Also issue of them leaving the nets on the field before car show. They need to move not us.

-Soccer couches will need training on the new AED units installed by the shelter.

Bob requested more garbage cans as garbage is being left on the ground. Dave will have 4 cans dropped off and Bob will place where needed.

Handicap sign or painted emblem need posted on shelter unloading area to deter soccer people from using.

### **Veterans Park:**

No updates

### **Events:**

-Car show: Eric gave a summary of show: It went great had 250+ cars. Traffic flow in and out worked good with lots of extra help from Hockey club and parents. The West G band did not attend. Eric's Lake Effect band played the National anthem. There were good door prizes given out. Lot of local people attended., the weather was perfect, a little over cast in morning then sun came out. Eric and Mark both took some pictures. Eric has a car show Facebook page. Bob offered his website business to market the show, just needs pictures and can link to the township website. Eric gave Dave the remaining car show bills. Mark reported the soccer federation made \$2657 on food concessions. Next years date is August 29.

-Concert: Attendance was down this year; there was competition from two other concerts in Burton and Munson. The bus stop food truck lady did well she is a Newbury resident and requested coming back next year.

-Next year is the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the country. Dave Terrell of Burton Middlefield Rotary contacted Dave Lair about the rotary donating 250 maple trees to the township in celebration Trees could be planted in open areas in the woods where deadfall has occurred and around tree line

Next meeting Thursday October 9 at town hall

Judy Barnhart– Newbury Park Board Secretary