

**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD JANUARY 7, 2009**

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The Parks and Recreation Board met in regular session on January 7, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Veteran's Memorial Park Depot, West Warren Street, Germantown, Ohio.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Mike Engler, Steve Mersch, Darrell Rhoades, Jenifer Shyrigh and Ryan Waits.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Tom Geglein and Bob Neff were absent.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Bob McClain, Terry Johnson, Ben DeGroat, Scott Roberts of VVBASE, Annie Sizemore, Acting Village Manager and one visitor.

Mr. McClain introduced Ryan Waits as the newest member of the Park Board. Board members welcomed Mr. Waits and made introductions.

Mr. Engler questioned where we are with the key issue with Mr. Rhoades stating that are plenty of keys and the master should fit the concession stand also.

ORGANIZATION:

Mrs. Shyrigh moved to appoint Mike Engler as Chairperson, second by Mr. Mersch.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Mersch, yes; Mr. Rhoades, yes; Mrs. Shyrigh, yes; Mr. Waits, yes; Mr. Engler, yes. 5-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Engler moved to appoint Jenifer Shyrigh as Vice Chairperson, second by Mr. Mersch.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Rhoades, yes; Mrs. Shyrigh, yes; Mr. Waits, yes; Mr. Engler, yes; Mr. Mersch, yes. 5-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Mersch moved to approve the December 3, 2008 minutes, second by Mrs. Shyrigh.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Shyrigh, yes; Mr. Waits; yes; Mr. Engler, yes; Mr. Mersch, yes; Mr. Rhoades, yes; Mrs. Shyrigh, yes. 5 for, 0 against. MOTION CARRIED.

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RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:

Mr. Roberts thanked everyone for what they have done for VVBASE. He then questioned the contract for use of Kercher Park.

Mr. Johnson stated they are still having complaints about umpires not getting the kids off the fields.

Mr. Roberts stated they are trying to have more adults behind the plate. He then questioned if there was any objection to adding a temporary field between two fields for ragball and t-ball. He added that it should not affect the soccer fields.

Mr. Johnson stated they are trying to get four soccer fields moved across the street.

Mrs. Shyrigh questioned who will take care of the maintenance with Mr. Roberts stating they will take care of the maintenance.

Mr. Roberts then stated one members of the VVBASE Board was voted off and will not return keys.

Mr. Rhoades stated that the master key fits all the locks.

Mr. Roberts stated he was going to change the upstairs locks and the only ones he knows that have keys are the officers.

Mr. McClain reviewed a master list of all the keys and stated he does not know who has keys since he has not been distributing them.

Mr. Engler asked that everything be rekeyed at Kercher Park and that Mr. McClain make copies of the chart for each member.

Mr. Roberts then addressed an issue they have been having with dogs on the fields and around the concession stand area. The Board would like to ask owners to keep their pets away from the fields due to the number of children and the problems that arise when the dogs fight.

After a lengthy discussion it was determined to have signs posted at Kercher Park limiting the area that dogs can access and asking that owners clean up after their pets.

Mr. Engler moved to have signs posted at Kercher Park limiting the access area for dogs and asking owners to clean up after their pets, second by Mr. Mersch.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Waits, yes; Mr. Engler, yes; Mr. Mersch, yes; Mr. Rhoades, yes; Mrs. Shyrigh, yes. 5-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

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Mr. McClain then gave a brief report on the January 1, 2009 Disc Golf Tournament. This was the second year for the tournament and there were 52 participants. This tournament is a fund raiser for the Dayton Disc Golf Association.

Mr. McClain was also given a volunteer plaque from the organization.

Mr. McClain addressed the Fire Oversight Agreement stating that Mr. Bukas had made some suggestions that he would like to express his thoughts and opinion on to the Park Oversight.

Mr. McClain briefly discussed solar lights for the flag poles. Mr. Johnson will look at other options and then will have a report for the Board at the next meeting.

MEMBER REPORTS:

Mr. Engler apologized for missing the last few meetings and thanked everyone who participated in Christmas in the Park. He then added that Mr. Neff also asked that he pass along his thanks for everything that was done for Christmas in the Park.

The Board then held a brief discussion on the soccer complex. Mr. Engler was asked to discuss the project with Steve Fugate due to the wellhead protection area.

Mr. Mersch stated the Rotary Club had received a quote from Harding Monument for six jet black markers for Veterans Memorial Park mounted at an angle.

Mr. Mersch then stated that in the next couple of weeks he would like to open up public discussion about something near the tobacco barn, adding electric to the barn and seeing what interest and ideas people might have.

Mr. Rhoades stated that Mr. Ketzler who did the repair work at Kercher Park has not been paid and asked that Mr. DeGroat look into the issue.

Mr. Rhoades then stated that the members needed to get together and take the decorations down.

Mrs. Shyrigh stated that she would take care of ordering the signs for Kercher Park and having them put up.

Mr. Rhoades stated that he approved the placement of the trees that were planted by Joshua Clark at Kercher Park. Ben DeGroat did the planting and paid for the balance of the trees that were needed.

VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mr. McClain stated that Annie Sizemore is serving as Acting Village Manager until a new manager is named.

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OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion by Mr. Mersch to adjourn the meeting, second by Mrs. Shyrigh.

VOICE VOTE ON MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anna M. Sizemore
Clerk