

**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD MARCH 4, 2009**

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The Parks and Recreation Board met in regular session on March 4, 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, Tom Geglein, Bob Neff, Darrell Rhoades, Jenifer Shyrigh and Ryan Waits.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Steve Mersch was absent.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Ben DeGroat, Terry Johnson, Mark Kozarec, Bob McClain, Scott Roberts, Scott Sizemore, Annie Sizemore, Acting Village Manager and two visitors.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. McClain stated that he is shown as being in attendance at the meeting and he was not.

Mr. Rhoades moved to approve the February 4, 2009 minutes as corrected, second by Mrs. Shyrigh.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Geglein, yes; Mr. Neff, yes; Mr. Rhoades, yes; Mrs. Shyrigh, yes; Mr. Waits, yes; Mr. Engler, yes. 6-yes; 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:

Barry and Cindy Lawson addressed the Board with a request to hold a Bluegrass Festival in Veterans Memorial Park. They are looking at June 6th and will have four to six bands. They would also like to have a gospel sing on Sunday. They would like to set up the bands in the gazebo and the event will be as family friendly as possible.

Mr. Rhoades moved to allow Mr. & Mrs. Lawson to go ahead with planning the Bluegrass Festival, second by Mrs. Shyrigh.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Neff, yes; Mr. Rhoades, yes; Mrs. Shyrigh, yes; Mr. Waits, yes; Mr. Engler, yes; Mr. Geglein, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

Scott Roberts, VVBASE, stated they would like to paint the dugout roof and will also be putting a ledge across the front of the concession stand.

Mr. Roberts questioned if the fence line is going to be sprayed with Mr. Rhoades responding yes.

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Mr. Roberts then questioned when the water will be turned on with Mr. Engler stating the third or fourth week of this month or the first of April.

Mr. Roberts then stated that Opening Day will be May 2nd and added they would like to have a blow up item set up in the park for the kids to play in.

MEMBER REPORTS:

Mr. Geglein stated he will put up the tennis court wind screen by next week. He then stated the National Honor Society has kids who are willing to do work in the park.

Mr. Geglein then questioned when the seeding of the park will be done with Mr. Engler responding that he has been getting some prices.

Mr. Geglein stated the soccer organization will pay for some of the seeding.

Mr. Rhoades commented that they also want to aerate.

Mr. Geglein then stated he will take the chains off the port-a-johns that he had previously put on. He concluded by stating that soccer sign-ups will be held May 2nd at Kercher Park and May 9th at Germantown IGA.

Mr. Neff thanked everyone for their indulgence in him missing a few meetings. He then stated that if he is able he would still like to do the 4th of July parade. He will also be hosting a 4th of July event at his business on July 3rd. A fishing tournament to benefit leukemia will be held at his business on May 2nd.

Mr. Neff then stated that a Grand Marshal needs to be chosen for the parade and he would like to have the Rotary Club as Grand Marshal for all that they have done for the parks.

The Board then discussed asking Mr. & Mrs. Lawson if they would like to be the entertainment for the July 4th celebration. Annie will make contact with them.

Mr. Rhoades stated the Rotary will spend about \$3,000 for the logos at the bottom of the flag poles. He would like to put a stone in front of the flags to recognize the Rotary.

Mr. Rhoades went on to say he had a discussion with the Lions Club about the restroom project. He would also like to see a new roof on the shelter at Kercher Park and they will do this project for sure.

Mr. Rhoades stated that he is working with a couple of people regarding running the train around the ceiling of the Depot and one has offered to donate the train.

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Steve Fugate and he looked at the trees by the tennis court that are going to have to come down.

Mr. Rhoades commented that since the seating has been taken out of the gazebo there has not been any more damage to the gazebo.

Mr. Neff left the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Mrs. Shyrigh questioned if the chain was put up to keep people from parking near the wellfield with Mr. Rhoades stating yes.

Mrs. Shyrigh then commented that she will be ordering the signs for the bike path.

Mr. Waits questioned the timetable for the sand volleyball court at Kercher Park. It was then determined that Mr. Waits will head the project.

Mr. Waits then commented that some of the globes are cloudy or broken on the lights in Veterans Park and one of the flags is torn.

Mr. Rhoades will take care of these issues.

Mr. Johnson commented that we are going to have to go with electric type lights for the flags.

Mr. Engler stated that he has been talking with Mr. Rhoades about a 35 gallon sprayer and a credit application has been done by the Township.

Mr. Engler then stated that he has looked at the signs regarding dogs at a cost of \$317.11. A brief discussion then look place regarding what color the signs should be.

Mr. Engler then stated he also priced plaques for those members who are no longer on the Parks Board. These plaques will be 8 X 10 at a cost of \$15.00 each.

Mr. Engler concluded by stating that he is working with Dave Shuey regarding the four soccer fields and the parking area for the soccer complex.

Mr. DeGroat commented on the Village tractor being on the bike path. After a brief discussion it was determined that the tractor should not be used on the bike path and the message will be relayed to the Street Department.

Mr. Johnson stated that the contacts with the organizations that use the parks need to be signed. The Park Oversight Agreement has also been rewritten and will not be in line with the other Oversight Committees.

VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT:

None.

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OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion by Mr. Rhoades to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anna M. Sizemore
Acting Village Manager