

PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Bedford Township Hall

8100 Jackman Road

September 14, 2015

7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: John Mohr, Chair, Connie Velliquette, Sally Dunn, Michele DeLaney, & Garnet Francis.

ALSO PRESENT: Larry O'Dell, Board Liaison

EXCUSED: Jake Sorosiak, Community Education

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. by Chairman John Mohr, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion was made by Velliquette, seconded by DeLaney to accept the agenda with the addition of a Community Education request under New Business. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by DeLaney, seconded by Velliquette to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2015 Park Board meeting as presented. Motion carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Francis explained current expenses noting one correction. Motion was made by Francis, seconded by Dunn to approve the Treasurer's report with expenses totaling \$3655.49, a General Fund balance of \$35,239.02, Millage Fund balance of \$38,626.04, Prepaid Exp. of \$1,857.37 for a total of \$75,722.43 as of Aug. 31, 2015. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Dunn, Velliquette, DeLaney and Mohr. Nays: None. Excused: None.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION: None – Sorosiak excused this week.

FRANCIS FAMILY YMCA: None.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Kristy Whitson, business at 8952 Lewis Avenue – Asked the Board what steps she needs to take to reserve Carr Park for Temperance Days, Sept. 10, 2016. She was disappointed TAC did not allow vendors or businesses to use the Park this year. Much discussion followed. The Board will discuss this issue with TAC and revisit it at a future meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Carr's Grove Park – Velliquette was concerned with vinyl siding on south side of building. It looks like someone used a portable grill too close to the building. Mohr will review the camera footage. Francis asked how Board felt about letting renters use portable fire pits at the Park. It was decided no fire pits would be allowed and any outside grills would need to be used at least 15 feet from the building.

Samaria Park – Nothing to report.

White Park – Mohr spoke on the confusion between the T-Bird football group and 3B baseball organization over the use of the concession stands. He also mentioned the need to change the locks on the concession stand, bathrooms, fences, and lights as too many keys have been distributed. Discussion followed regarding the contract with 3B Baseball and the role of Community

Ed. in regard to issuing permits for White Park field and concession use. Motion was made by Francis, seconded by Velliquette to change the date of the regularly scheduled meeting from November 23 to November 30, 2015 and to hold a special meeting on November 16, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. to revise the contract with 3B. Motion carried on a roll call as follows: Aye: Francis, Velliquette, DeLaney, Dunn, and Mohr. Nays: None. Excused: None.

Pickle Ball Grand Opening was a huge success. Velliquette wants to keep the energy going. She suggested having Comm. Ed. contact attendees and offer a class. She also would like to order some rule books for the community. Motion was made by Velliquette, seconded by Francis to make a \$200.00 donation to the Toledo Pickle Ball Club to thank them for their instructions at the Grand Opening clinic. Motion carried on a roll call as follows: Aye: Velliquette, Francis, Dunn, DeLaney, and Mohr. Nays: None. Excused: None.

Parmelee Park – The car that caught fire over Labor Day weekend has been removed.

Indian Creek Park – Dunn met with Road Commission again to discuss the safety issues at the Park. She is pursuing two different options: a white striped crosswalk at the corner of Consear and Dean and/or solar powered pedestrian crossing signal at this corner and also at the entrance across from the bus garage. Discussion followed. O'Dell suggested she check to see if Metro Funds could be used to put in short sidewalks, since sidewalks are a necessity for a crosswalk.

Ansted Park- Looks great.

Adopt-A-Park – Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Judging Costume Contest for Comm. Ed – Cherie Reed has once again invited the Park Board Commissioners to judge the costume contest at their Halloween Party on Monday, Oct. 26. Since this is the evening of the Park Board's regularly scheduled meeting, it was agreed to hold a short Park Commission meeting starting at 6:00 p.m. and accept this invitation.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Carl Whitson, business at 8952 Lewis – Asked if the sidewalk issue across Douglas Road could be decided by Township Board or if it had to be taken to Road Commission.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

Dunn -Toledo Zoo is taking on the Monarch Butterfly.

Francis – She will update the shelter and community center permits to reflect the new fire pit and portable grills rules.

Velliquette - None.

DeLaney - None.

Mohr – Delighted about Ansted Park and Pickle Ball courts.

O'Dell – None.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. by Mr. Mohr.

Sally Dunn
Park Board Secretary

Nancy Gin
Recording Secretary

Upcoming Meetings:

September 28, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.

October 12, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.

October 26, 2015 – 6:00 p.m. – early due to Comm. Ed costume party judging

November 9, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.

November 16, 2015 – 6:00 p.m. – Special Meeting

November 30, 2015 – 7:00 p.m. – rescheduled, due to Thanksgiving holiday

December 14, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.