

Minutes of the Munson Township Park & Recreation Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 11, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Art Hollis.

Present: Art Hollis (Chairman), Jim O'Neill, Claudia Toth (Vice), and Joe Rosboril.

MINUTES

Art Hollis made a motion which was seconded by Jim O'Neill, to approve the meeting minutes from January 14, 2014. Passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trails at Nero Nature Preserve

This item is on the to-do list. It has not yet been approved by the Trustees.

Fireplace at Scenic River Retreat

This item is on hold for now. The Trustees are not sure if they will be moving forward on this project because of funding. One-hundred dollars was donated for the fireplace at Scenic River Retreat. The money cannot be spent on anything other than the fireplace unless the Township gets permission from the donor. The Park & Recreation Board will look into this once they know the outcome of the fireplace future.

Parking lot paving at sewers at Munson Township Park

This item is on the to-do list. It is on hold for now along with other park issues.

Budgets 2014

Art Hollis went to the Trustees meeting on February 25, 2014 to review the budgets. The recommended projects are in the Trustee's hands at this point. All of the event budgets are estimated figures. The maintenance budget is no longer a Park & Recreation Board responsibility.

NEW BUSINESS:

Munson Township Scholarship Committee

A big thank you went out to Jim O'Neill, who sat in for Claudia Toth as a Park Board representative on the Scholarship Committee. There were 18 interviews. Four thousand, six hundred dollars was awarded for scholarships this year and it will be very hard to eliminate students. Trustee Andy Bushman will talk to the anonymous resident who typically donates for scholarships when the Townships budget does not allow.

Concerts for 2014

The Trustees decided to suspend the "Concerts In the Park" for 2014.

Indoor Flea Market

Art Hollis and Joe Rosboril will meet at Town Hall prior to the flea market to mark vendor spots. Park & Recreation Board members will meet at Town Hall Saturday at 6:30am for vendor support in the Fire Department. Jen Evans and the Girl Scouts will be selling food and drink.

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2014 Projects

At the February 25, 2014 Trustee meeting, the playground equipment and new bleachers for Town Hall Park were selected as the most important budget items. The Trustees asked the Park & Recreation Board to get 3 bids for the play grounds, pre-school (ages 2-5) and middle school (ages 5-12), for their review. Ms. Toth and Mr. O'Neill offered to work on the bids. The playground location will be close to the current, older unit next to the community room. Joe Rosboril was involved with getting the bids for the playground at Munson Township Park where Meyer Design did a nice job. The location and ground surface of the new playgrounds will most likely be recommended by the company doing the bids. Signs will also have to be made identifying the age groups for the equipment. The Park & Recreation Board would like to encompass the playground with a fence since it is close proximity to the parking lot. The budget for this project is \$50,000 and the Park & Recreation Board would like to get bids in before spring so this project can start soon. Mr. Rosboril will start researching bleachers. We are looking for all new bleachers since we can't add onto the current ones. The back drop on the bleachers located at Vetter Field is too large. The other bleachers are only one inch off the specs of today's standards. There is \$15,000 in the budget for this project.

<u>Munson Township Park & Recreation Board approved Mission Statement</u> The "Memorandum of Understanding" was passed out to Park & Recreation Board members so all of the members have it.

New Meetings - Day/Time

The Trustees requested Art Hollis and the Park & Recreation Board to change their meeting time and day. The second Tuesday at 6:30pm works best for all Park Board members.

Work Session with Trustees for 2014 Remaining Projects

The Trustees would like to schedule a work session with the Park & Recreation Board to discuss and prioritize the items on the to-do list. It will be a public meeting and will be publicized when the date and time has been decided. Park Board members suggested a Saturday morning or a Monday or Tuesday evening to work best with their obligations.

OTHER BUSINESS

ATTACHMENT:

ADJOURNMENT:

Claudia Toth made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:24pm.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at 6:30pm at Munson Town Hall.

Art Hollis

Chairman <

Secretary

cc: Park Board Members

Township Trustees and Fiscal Officer

Road Superintendent