



Minutes

April 15, 2019

Location: Service Center 6959 Yankee Rd

Park Committee Members: V. Michel Price, President | Bill Walker, Vice President | Kim Sippy, Treasurer | Laurie Ballenger, Secretary | Dave Lintner, local native plants/invasive plants expert

Liberty Township Parks Liaison: Rick Plummer

Call to order: 6:03pm with Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present - Michel Price, Bill Walker, Laurie Ballenger, David Lintner. Absent – Kim Sippy. Currently 3 seats are open. Present - Rick Plummer, Township Liason.

Introduction of Guests: No guests

Ratify February Minutes: Not recorded.

Treasury Report:

Kim absent. Quarterly report attached below, no change from previous presentation.

Guest Discussions:

No guests.

Township Liason Report – Rick:

- Turnbridge park trail project contractor states possible start date in 10 weeks.
- Paul Stumpf (Historical Society) has teamed up with the Fitton Center to offer 12 paintings of local barns by local artists for a fundraising auction on Sept 7 at the Dudley Woods Park shelter to benefit the Dudley Woods Park Cabin events and usage. Other participants include a Native American dance group and Laura Askil of Metroparks who has played the school marm role in past events. Kid's crafts will be available.
- Maintenance work continues on dead ash trees in Wetlands West Park. Some trails are still closed. The danger is mainly from dead branches and trunks hanging overhead.
- The executive director for the Fitton Arts Center, Ian McKenzie-Thurley, has arranged Creative Arts in Liberty Parks events for each 3rd Thursday April – Sept. The first date is 4/18 at Dudley Memorial Park 3:30pm for 90 minutes.
- Ft. Liberty Park 20th Anniversary Celebration update: September 14 at 10am. Christine Matacic is featured speaker. Rick Titus is working on contacts for invitations. Activities include a tree planting, the opening of the time capsule and viewing photo albums. Cookies will be served.

Work Days Subcommittee (Dave and Bill; Laurie – refreshments):

- Dave reports that Susan Smith (previous guest) approached him with an idea for a Work Day. It is set for May 4 in Allen Park to clean out and mulch the butterfly gardens and newly planted trees around the gazebo.
- Bill found an information contact regarding prairie care – a state DNR representative
- Dave updated the email account for use in contacting Helping Hands volunteers.
- David has plans to continue eradication of lesser celandine and garlic mustard in key locations in the parks.

Continuing Parks Business:

- Laurie will find other ways to distribute remaining event flyers.

Round Table Discussion:

- Each member/guest present was given an opportunity to cover a topic or ask new questions:
 - Michel would like the Committee to explore using business-style cards to distribute when encountering people with interest in the parks.
 - **The Parks Committee would like to congratulate Dave on his upcoming retirement!**

Adjournment: 7:39pm - 1st – Laurie, 2nd - Dave

Future Meetings: May 20 at Wilhelmina Park 6pm ; if inclement weather meeting will be held at the Service Center

Tentative locations for other meetings: June 17/Dudley Memorial, July 15/Cherokee,
August 19/Fort Liberty



Liberty Township Parks Fund <i>Fund Statement: January 1, 2019 - February 6, 2019</i>	Ms. Kristen Bitonte Liberty Township 7162 Liberty Centre Dr. Suite A Liberty Twp., OH 45069
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Fund Activity	
<i>Balance as of 01/01/2019</i>	<i>3,610.36</i>
Donor Contributions	615.76
Investment Activity	
Interest & Dividends	0.00
Investment Growth	0.00
Disbursements	
Grants	0.00
Other Expenses	0.00
Fund Administrative Fee	0.00
Total Expenses	<i>0.00</i>
Miscellaneous Transfers	<i>0.00</i>
<i>Balance as of 02/06/2019</i>	<i>4,226.12</i>

Detail		
CONTRIBUTIONS:		
Donor	Date	Amount
Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Rumpke	01/10/2019	615.76
*** Total Gifts:		615.76