



MINUTES

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP-PARKS COMMITTEE

August 17, 2020

Reserves Park 5119 Grandin Ridge Dr. Liberty Dr., Liberty Twp, OH 45011

Next Meeting September 21, 2020 @ Township Service Center 6959 Yankee Rd.

Inclement Weather: Service Center

Park Committee Members: V. Michel Price, President | Bill Walker, Vice President | Paul Dittman, Secretary Kim Sippy, Treasurer | Dave Lintner | Laurie Ballenger | Cleopatra Kum | Ted Sitchanoff | Rick Plummer, Parks Liaison

Call to Order time: 6:02pm

Absent: Kim Sippy, Cleopatra Kum, Ted Sitchanoff, Rick Plummer

Guest: Christine Matacic

Ratify of Minutes:

Motion to Approve: 1st: Bill Walker & 2nd: Dave Lintner

Quarterly Reports: No Update

Updates:

Rick Plummer – Park Updates – No Update

New Park Business:

- **Spending Requests**
 - o **Proposal to hold at the current \$1,500 request**
 - **Vote from present members to approve 2021 spending request – all in favor**
 - o **If there is a need for new signage/flyers, check with township. Township does have large printing capabilities for items such as banners**
 - o **Think forward about potential grant opportunities as we look forward to the new year**
 - **Park improvement**
 - **Shade tree opportunities**
 - **General development projects**
- **Great Miami clean up (10/24/20)**
 - o **Team voted to 'disapprove' participation for CY20201**
- **Justserved.org**

- **Cherokee Park has been added to the site for potential volunteer opportunities.**
 - Overall Dave articulated best opportunities for groups is spring.**
- **All fall township activities cancelled through October.**
- **Conversation regarding how to drive participation within the parks system**
 - **Engagement within the fall festival, can we make the 2021 Fall Fest an all-day event?**
 - **Beer tent?**
 - **Concert?**
 - **Other items?**
- **Conversation with Christine – How do we think about upgrading our parks?**
 - **Trails? Playgrounds? Connectivity?**

Continuing Park Business:

- Tree Walk (Dave Lintner)
 - Total of 9 individuals attended
 - General consensus is people would like to see more opportunities
- School of Fish Conversation
 - Cancelled for CY2020
 - Fathers Day weekend continues to be consensus best timing/opportunity
- Heritage Days
 - Will go forward Sept 19, no issues seen from a social distancing perspective
- Still trying for the fall flower walk at Cherokee 9/26
- FY2021 Opportunities
 - Spring Clean Up, invasive weed pulls, bird walk, school of fish, summer flower walk, fall nature walk.
- Calendar confirmation for CY2021 TBD
 - Provide any additional updates in our September Meeting
 - October all dates/activities should be finalized.

Round table discussion:

Bill

- Vandalism occurred at Allen Park, destroying the Gazebo
- Bird houses previously destroyed were rebuilt.
- Tree walk at Dudley Woods revealed trails are being overrun by invasive species of plants.

Adjournment: 7:55pm

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