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**Subject:** Green Space Minutes 11/5/15

The following are minutes to the Green Space Meeting on 11/5/15

Attendees: Steve Utter, Pat Hogan, George Carpenter, Doug Dresie

1. Steve Utter attended the meeting for the first time. Welcome Steve! Gave Steve some background and shared some stats on Township owned parks and greenspace (165 total acres). Sky Valley property is County owned and a little over 30 acres. A portion of Woodland Mound Park is in Pierce but is not township owned.
2. Steve is on the NOPE committee. Discussed Duke property where clay is being removed. The group is of the understanding that the township will receive it when Duke is complete and that it is to remain green space. Steve indicated that residents nearby desire that it remain green space. The group will discuss further when Tim Hershner is available for the December meeting.
3. Reviewed Master Planning Task List
  - a. We have not had much response from UC and OSU architecture departments regarding potential project for them to develop. George has received some good input from his niece who is an architect in Vermont. The group believes that a significant amount of leg work can be accomplished without involvement of a designer based on her input and some information we've recently received from Anderson Township and Batavia Township. Eventually we will want to have someone create a rendering or basic plan to present to the trustees and public.
  - b. We need to review further and establish some design elements. "What do we want it to look like?" We want to tie design elements to Pierce. Pat is to reach out to the Clermont County historian to gather some information on Pierce. Doug will focus on shelter house options. George will focus on restrooms and overall layout. Discussed sewer concerns and associated costs for potential restroom facility.
  - c. Discussed smaller less expensive projects such as signage for trails and tree identification. Pat will take on the signage project.
  - d. Doug and George are to meet at the park the weekend of November 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> to walk the site and further discuss planning efforts and potential ideas.
4. Discussed organization
  - a. Doug had a discussion with township legal counsel on organization. Creating a 501(c) (3) is really not necessary to enhance potential fundraising. We do need to look at enhancing the Greenspace charter to include parks and create a designated account for Parks/Greenspace. All funds raised for that account could only be used for Parks/Greenspace. Any funds donated or raised from events would be tax deductible. We will discuss next steps further in the December meeting.
5. Discussed formation of subcommittees (Timing and plan)
  - a. All agree that it is time to start reaching out to Community Survey respondents who indicated an interest in participating in the group. The contact will need to come from the Tim Hershner and/or the Trustees. George will draft a recruiting letter to be approved and sent out. The goal would be to send out the letter/e-mail in December to drive attendance to the January meeting.

**NEXT MEETING, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2015, 6:30PM**