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**Subject:** Pierce Township Green Space/Parks Committees Meeting Minutes 10/5/16

The following are the minutes from the Pierce Township Green Space/Parks Committee Meeting on 10/5/16:

Attendees: Keith Brodman, George Carpenter, Pat Hogan, Doug Dresie, Nancy Ball, Lori Wilson, Debbie Cook, Bob Hinklin, Dan Newyear

1. Organization – Potential Foundation/501c3
   a. Doug exchanged e-mails with Chris Clingman from Clermont County Parks, and they do not have a foundation established. They work with the Cincinnati Foundation on their gifts to the parks. Doug is to discuss further with Chris Clingman.
   b. George is to research Anderson Township's parks foundation.
   c. Pat has information on the rescue group he works with. Pat is to share governance information for review.
   d. Nancy Ball mentioned that Tracy Hawkins from the Parks Alliance researched forming a 501c3 for the Alliance. Doug to reach out to Tracy and also research Blue Ash/Sycamore Parks.
   e. Debbie will reach out to the Cincinnati Nature Center regarding their organization.

2. Programming
   a. Fall Hike October 15 – Hours will be 12pm-4pm. Nancy shared the nature artifacts she used for Park Fest with Pat. The boyscouts will help with the guided hikes. Pat is to send a note to Jenny Newcomb to post on Facebook. Doug will send the same information to Legendary Run for them to send out an e-mail blast.
   b. Maple tree tapping – Ryan Tillar was not in attendance. Doug to reach out to Ryan to encourage further discussion.
   c. Invasive removal work day at Nature Park – Tentative date of November 12, from 9am-12pm was established. This will be confirmed at the November meeting.

3. Fundraising
   a. OKI grant – The grant application is still under review, but, we should hear shortly. It is looking more like $187K vs. our initial $350K request.
   b. ODNR – The deadline is either in January or March.
   c. Reds Community Fund – Deadline is in January. Doug to start looking at requirements more closely.

4. Dog Park Master Plan
   a. Update on pricing – Lori is working on compiling costs. Doug will help with water line pricing and path extension. We also need to consider operating costs (i.e. mowing, reseeding, what else?)
   b. Potential fundraising – Lori stated that they have some ideas to further compile in order to present. Potentially a pet food company? We should consider fees for usage similar to that of Anderson Township.

c. Other operational considerations – Insurance, vaccination tracking, administrative costs for collecting fees, changing entry codes, etc.
d. Doug had forwarded the Dog Park Master Plan to the Trustees, but, did not receive any feedback. Doug to reach out to Trustees for feedback.

5. Park Improvements
   a. Electrical upgrades – Rick Rack is to help on getting pricing. Also need to discuss potential for using retained engineering company with Allen Freeman.
   b. Picnic tables – The Service Department removed all but one table due to deterioration of the others. George investigated and provided pictures of options. It would be best to have them on a concrete pad. George is to send pricing information to John Koehler.
   c. Signs – The park signs need to be replaced as they are decaying. This needs to be brought up to the Trustees. George has compiled some pricing from Distinctive Signs ($700-$900 plus $100-$200 for installation per sign). George is to share information with John Koehler. Also need to consider removing the stone as it is falling apart.

**NEXT MEETING, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2016, 6:30PM.**